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Client Counseling Competition Tradition of Excellence Continues with National Championship

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Joseph, Tast Place 2nd in International Client Consultation Competition

Nebraska Law added to its history of success in the Client Counseling Competition under the direction of Professors Alan Frank and Craig Lawson.

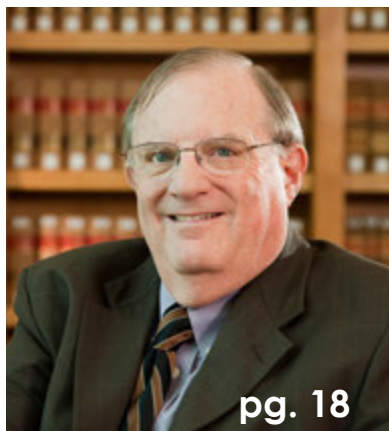
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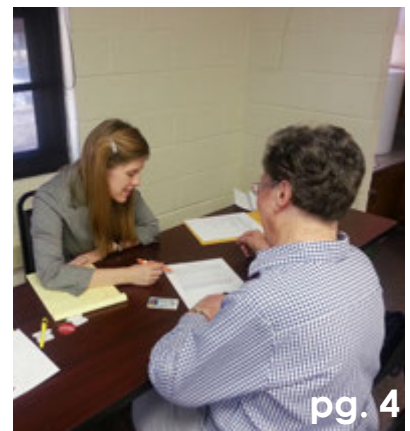
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After 42 years of teaching, Professor Alan Frank retired in May.



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Students provide qualifying individuals with estate-planning documents.

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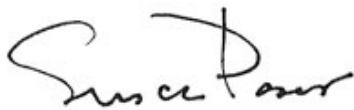
Welcome to the newest edition of the TRANSCRIPT, which is going to print just as the academic year gets underway.

Last May, 108 students graduated from the Law College, including five who received LL.M. degrees in Space, Cyber and Telecommunications Law. We start this new semester with more positive national news about the stature and quality of the College of Law. We were recently named the #2 Best Value Law School by *National Jurist Magazine*. This ranking is up from the previous two years when we were ranked at #4. A small move, but a big statement about the ability of the College to maintain low tuition and fees while still offering a high quality education culminating in excellent bar passage and job placement rates.

In the pages ahead, you will read about Professor Alan Frank who retired after 42 years at the College of Law. Lucky for us, he is going to stick around for a while longer teaching Client Counseling and coaching the student client counseling team. Last spring, the Nebraska Law team won the national client counseling competition and placed second at internationals. To recognize Professor Frank and Professor Craig Lawson's tireless, and successful, efforts coaching these teams over many years, the faculty voted to name the College's client counseling competition the Alan Frank and Craig Lawson Client Counseling Competition.

There are profiles of several outstanding alumni who have used their law degrees to do very different things, but who are united in their dedication to the public interest and the betterment of the profession. Similarly, you will see that our faculty continues to contribute their time and expertise through their interesting and relevant scholarship, such as Professor Sandi Zellmer's new book, *Mississippi River Tragedies*, and the many faculty who are doing workshops and CLEs all over Nebraska, the United States and the world, including at least three faculty who presented at the Eighth Circuit Judicial Conference held in August in Omaha.

Be assured that during these challenging times in legal education and the legal profession, we are focused on the issue at hand, viz., ensuring that our curriculum and programs continue to provide an excellent and well rounded education that is also relevant to the realities of modern law practice and the types of careers our students are seeking. Thank you for your continued support. We could not do it without you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan Poser".

Susan Poser
Dean and Richard & Catherine Schmoker Professor of Law

Nebraska Law-Psychology Program Celebrates 40th Anniversary



Professor Brian Bornstein, Professor and Program Director Richard Wiener, Professor Robert Schopp, and Professor Eve Brank.

The University of Nebraska was the first university to fully integrate psychology and law training. Hundreds of graduate students, post-docs, faculty and visiting scholars have benefited from that training over the past 40 years. It is now time to reflect on where we have been and where we are going – and to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Law-Psychology program! Activities will begin Thursday, October 23 with a welcome reception, continue through Friday with speaker panels and conclude Saturday, October 25 with the Husker football game. For more information, visit <http://lawpsych40.unl.edu>.

Brian Striman Important Part of Schmid Law Library's Unique Community Atmosphere

By Loguen Blazek, '16

This is another in a series of articles about longtime members of the College of Law faculty.

Brian Striman has been a law librarian for 38 years. That was not always his plan however. After graduating from the University of Nebraska with a Bachelor of Arts in 1974, Striman received his M.I.L.S from the University of Missouri-Colombia in 1978. Striman came back to

Nebraska after seeing a job posting for a law librarian position at Creighton Law School. "I knew I wanted to be in the Midwest so I took the interview, but I didn't think I was going to get it, having no background in the law," said Striman. Creighton offered Striman the job, which he accepted, and the rest, as they say, is history.

Striman arrived at Nebraska Law as an assistant professor of law library in 1982.

According to Striman, "The best part of being a law librarian, as opposed to another kind of librarian, is being able to interact with all the students on a daily basis. Schmid Law Library is an integral part of the law school experience for students, and it creates a community atmosphere that makes it unique among libraries."

In 2001, Striman became professor of law library and head of technical services of the Law College. "The main duties of my job include maintaining materials and legal resources for the Law College, which holds unique challenges for law librarians because the law is a living breathing entity and there are always new and changing laws that must be kept up to date." As head of technical services, Striman is also responsible for managing all digital access and resources for the Law College. "About 80 percent of my day is spent problem solving," said Striman.

"One of the most significant changes that has occurred during my time at the library is the format of the resources themselves. Most people think of libraries as a collection of books that people come in and read, but that is rapidly changing.

"The majority of resources that the library has to maintain are no longer owned but instead rented or leased, which affects the type of work I do." Striman spends much more of his time now focusing on acquiring and maintaining digital resources for the library.



Brian Striman



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Striman received tenure at the College of Law in 1988. “At the award dinner celebrating my tenure the dean of the Law College at the time gave a speech about how, when you achieve tenure, you become an emblem of the University, and that is something that has stuck with me. I have since strived to put a large amount of my time and focus on being an emblem through outreach.”

Striman has accomplished this outreach by taking part in various presentations and by holding leadership positions in multiple organizations. Those organizations include the American Association of Law Librarianship (AALL) and Mid-America Association of Law Libraries (MAALL). In 2009 Striman received the AALL Volunteer Service Award for “significant contributions to the work of AALL.”

Striman is the current editor and chief of *MAALL Markings*, the periodical for the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries. “I really enjoy working with organizations such as MAALL because it provides me

with the opportunity to meet and communicate with other individuals in my field while providing me with more opportunities to share my knowledge and experiences with others.

“I consider myself a rogue in regards to some of my ideas and leadership within the organizations I remain a part of,” said Striman. Some of Striman’s “rogue” ideas include starting TSLAW Chats, a Facebook group that helps Law Librarians from various libraries stay connected and up-to-date on what is going on in the field. “TSLAW Chats has grown to 156 members, which is pretty cool,” said Striman. “I’m proud that others have found it a fun or useful tool.”

When he is not busy at Schmid Law Library, Striman enjoys working outdoors, painting and redecorating. “The majority of my free time is spent playing guitar and riding my Harley Davidson motorcycle. Ironically, I’m not really much of a reader,” Striman said.

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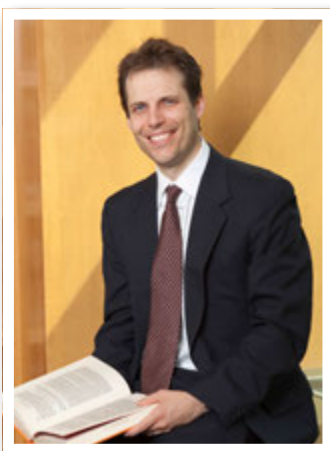


Jack M. Beard
Assistant Professor of Law

Professor Jack Beard served as the lead Law College professor on the first National Strategic Research Institute (NSRI) research project involving the Law College. This NSRI Project focuses on cyber security issues and is being undertaken in conjunction with the U.S. Strategic Command as part of the University of Nebraska's recent designation as a University Affiliated Research Center (UARC). The project is one of the first UARC research projects involving a U.S. law school and will contribute to a report containing recommendations for cyber law policy changes as they relate to U.S. National Security. As one of only 15 universities designated as a UARC, the University of Nebraska is providing research and development services for the U.S. Department of Defense in areas that are critical to U.S. national security.

Eric Berger
Associate Professor of Law

Professor Eric Berger completed his sabbatical year, during which he was a visiting scholar at the Institute for Legal Studies at the University of Wisconsin Law School in Madison, Wis. His article, "The Rhetoric of Constitutional Absolutism," was accepted for publication by the *William and Mary Law Review*. He presented this piece at a faculty colloquium at Marquette University Law School in Milwaukee, Wis.



In response to recent developments in lethal injection litigation, Berger also wrote "Lethal Injection Secrecy and Eighth Amendment Due Process," which was accepted for publication by the *Boston College Law Review*. It argues that inmates challenging the constitutionality of the lethal injection procedures with which the state will execute them have a due process right to important details about the procedure. Berger spoke about these and related death-penalty issues on different occasions on Huffington Post Live. He also presented a draft of a new paper, "The World According to the Court," on a panel about "Inequality in the Eyes of the Court." The paper argues that the Supreme Court aggressively finds facts to support the normative outcome it favors in a variety of constitutional contexts.

Kristen M. Blankley
Assistant Professor of Law

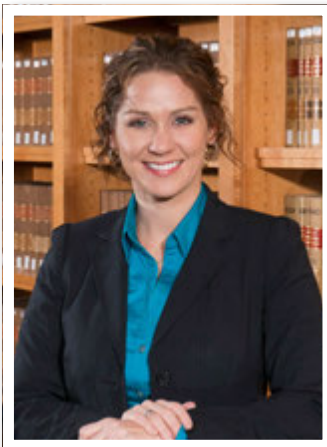
Professor Kristen M. Blankley's article "Impact Preemption: A New Theory of Federal Arbitration Act Preemption" will be published in the Winter 2015 issue of *The Florida Law Review*. Blankley has been named president of the Nebraska Mediation Association.

C. Steven Bradford
Earl Dunlap Distinguished
Professor of Law

Professor Steve Bradford spoke on "Crowdfunding Intermediaries and Issue Fraud" at the 27th Annual Corporate



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Law Center Symposium at the University of Cincinnati College of Law. The third edition of his book, *Basic Accounting Principles for Lawyers*, has been published by LexisNexis. Bradford continues to blog on the Business Law Prof Blog.

Eve M. Brank
Associate Professor of Psychology,
Courtesy Professor of Law

Professor Eve Brank and Lindsey Wylie, '13, have written a forthcoming chapter in the *American Psychological Association Handbook of Forensic Psychology*. Their chapter, "Elders and the Justice System," addresses psychological issues related to older adult victims, witnesses, offenders and jurors.

Robert C. Denicola
Margaret Larson Professor of
Intellectual Property Law

Professor Rob Denicola's latest article, "The New Law of Ideas," will be published in the *Harvard Journal of Law and Technology*.

Marcia Dority Baker
Assistant Professor of Law Library
and Access Services Librarian

The book *Law Librarianship in the Digital Age* edited by Ellyssa Kroski won the AALL (American Association

of Law Libraries) Joseph L. Andrews Bibliographical Award. Professor Marcia Dority Baker wrote the "Social Software" chapter for the book. The Joseph L. Andrews Legal Literature Award recognizes a significant textual contribution to legal literature.

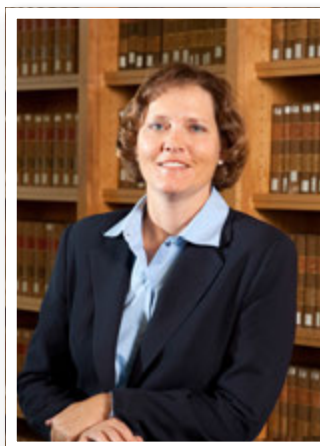
Martin R. Gardner
Steinhart Foundation Professor of Law

Professor Marty Gardner's article, "The Categorical Distinction between Adolescents and Adults: The Supreme Court's Juvenile Punishment Cases – Constitutional Implications for Regulating Teenage Sexual Activity," was published at 28 *BYU Journal of Public Law* 1. His article, "Rediscovering Trespass: Towards a Regulatory Approach to Defining Fourth Amendment Scope in a World of Advancing Technology," has been accepted for publication by the *Buffalo Law Review*.

Justin (Gus) Hurwitz
Assistant Professor of Law

Professor Gus Hurwitz's recent work has considered issues relating to Internet-based video distribution, network neutrality and data security. He testified at a Senate Commerce Committee hearing on the evolving online video marketplace and wrote several short pieces on the Supreme Court's recent *Aereo* decision, which held that Aereo's Internet-based retransmission of local broadcasters' television programming violated copyright law.

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Hurwitz also submitted written comments to the FCC in response to its proposed network neutrality regulations and gave a keynote address to the German Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy on the FCC's proposed regulations. In addition, he presented a paper at a FCC workshop that critiqued commonly used, but erroneous, arguments in telecommunications law research. Hurwitz has also presented work critiquing the FTC's ongoing efforts to establish legal standards governing data security at several conferences and workshops.

Richard A. Leiter Director of Schmid Law Library and Professor of Law

Professor Rich Leiter was named to the Fastcase 50, an annual award that "recognizes the top innovators, techies, visionaries and leaders" in law, legal publishing and technology.

William H. Lyons Richard H. Larson Professor of Tax Law

Professor Bill Lyons co-authored with Professors Jo Potuto and Kevin Rask "What's in a Name? The Collegiate Mark, The Collegiate Model, and The Treatment of Student Athletes," published at 92 *Oregon Law Review* 879. He is currently serving as associate editor-in-chief of *The Tax Lawyer* published by the ABA Tax Section. This spring Lyons once again taught at the University of Leiden's International Tax Center in the Netherlands.

He continues as chair of the planning committee for the Estate and Business Planning Program held annually at the Law College. Starting in 2015, the program will be known as the John M. Gradwohl Estate and Business Planning Program. Lyons is also a member of the board of directors of the Great Plains Federal Tax Institute.

Colleen E. Medill Robert and Joanne Berkshire Family Professor of Law

Professor Colleen Medill published the fourth edition of *Introduction to Employee Benefits Law: Policy and Practice* published by West Academic Publishing. Her casebook, which has been adopted at over 40 law schools, is the only academic book to date that contains a comprehensive explanation of the Affordable Care Act and its effect on employer-sponsored group health plans. Medill testified before the Department of Labor's ERISA Advisory Council on the fiduciary responsibilities of employers who sponsor retirement and health care plans for their workers. The ERISA Advisory Council was established as part of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) to advise the Secretary of Labor and to make administrative policy recommendations. She was invited to testify by chair Ralph C. Derbyshire, who is the senior vice president and deputy general counsel for Fidelity Investments in Boston, Mass. Medill has become a member of the national Advisory Board for the Center for Tax Law and Employee Benefits, which is located in Chicago.

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Richard E. Moberly
Associate Dean and Professor of Law

Professor Richard Moberly was awarded the 2014 Alumni Council Distinguished Faculty Award at the annual Alumni Council Awards Luncheon in April. Throughout the spring, he presented a CLE titled “Everything You Wanted to Know about the Snowden Leaks, but (Because of NSA Surveillance) Were Afraid to Ask” in Columbus, Lincoln, Norfolk and Omaha. This summer he completed an article titled “De Facto Gag Clauses: The Legality of Employment Agreements that Undermine Dodd-Frank’s Whistleblower Provisions,” which will be published in the *ABA Journal of Labor & Employment Law*. He also continues to write about secrecy and the law on his blog, lawofsecrecy.tumblr.com.

Stefanie S. Pearlman
Professor of Law Library and Reference Librarian

Professor Stefanie Pearlman has been named president of The American Association of Law Libraries’ Animal Law Caucus. She is also serving on the Standing Committee on Law Library Services to Prisoners for the American Association of Law Libraries’ Social Responsibilities Special Interest Section. Pearlman published the “Nebraska Public Library Toolkit” on the website for the American Association of Law Libraries’ Legal Information Services to the Public Special Interest Section.



Harvey S. Perlman
Chancellor of the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and Harvey and Susan Perlman Alumni Professor of Law

Chancellor Harvey Perlman was elected to the board of directors of the Middle East–North Africa Network of Water Centers of Excellence, a USAID initiated project to encourage collaboration between university research centers related to water in the region. He was presented with the Individual Performance Excellence Award by the Confucius Institute Headquarters at the International Confucius Institute Meeting in Beijing, China. In China, Perlman spoke on “Encouraging Interdisciplinary Research” at Xi’an Jiaotong University and was the keynote speaker at the 80th Anniversary Celebration of the Northwest Agriculture and Forestry University in Yangling. Perlman was also a panelist on “Engaging with the Private Sector: Nebraska Innovation Campus” at the Merrill Research Retreat in Nebraska City.

Josephine R. Potuto
Richard H. Larson Professor of Constitutional Law

Professor Josephine (Jo) Potuto co-authored with Professors Bill Lyons and Kevin Rask “What’s in a Name? The Collegiate Mark, The Collegiate Model, and The Treatment of Student Athletes,” published at 92 *Oregon Law Review* 879. The article is a comprehensive look at the legal and practical issues involved in permitting college athletes to be compensated for the use of their names

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and likenesses. She also wrote a tribute to Professor John Gradwohl, “John Gradwohl, in Loving Memory,” for *NEBRASKA LAW REVIEW*. Her essay, “Professors Need Not Apply,” was published in *Inside Higher Ed* (May 19, 2014). In the essay, Potuto examines the current collegiate athletic model and the proposed new Division I governance structure and that proposal’s impact on faculty involvement. She did two presentations: The first was at a symposium at the University of Oregon Law College, “The NCAA in Crisis: The Crossroads of Intercollegiate Sports.” The second was at the annual meeting of the National Association of College and University Attorneys. Potuto is one of two faculty members selected to an eight-member Big Ten Conference taskforce to conduct a comprehensive review of Big Ten governance.

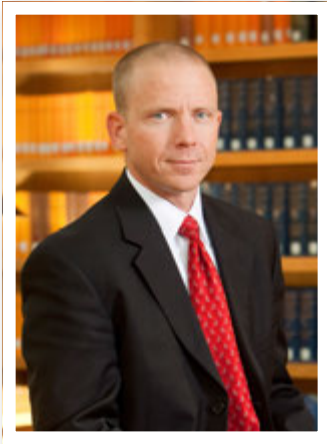
Kevin L. Ruser Hevelone Professor of Law and Director of Clinical Programs

Professor Kevin Ruser made two presentations at the Eighth Circuit Judicial Conference in Omaha: a four-hour immigration presentation for state court judges and an hour-long presentation on “Immigration Law for the Everyday Practitioner.” Ruser also returned to Kosovo to help Iliria College work on developing its criminal law clinic at the Master level.

Matthew P. Schaefer Law Alumni Professor and Director of Space, Cyber and Telecommunications Law Program

Professor Matt Schaefer’s article on commercial space liability issues was accepted for publication in the *Berkeley Journal of International Law*. He presented at the National Space Symposium in Colorado Springs, Colo., on concrete enforcement tools to help stop intentional radio frequency interference impacting satellite communications, at the NewSpace conference in Silicon Valley, Calif., on space property rights, and at the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Space Conference in San Diego, Calif., on incentivizing commercial space debris remediation companies. Schaefer launched a blog on space law and international trade law issues at www.lawofschaefer.com, and his blog posts are announced on Twitter @lawofschaefer. He was also the lead author of a Supreme Court amicus brief signed by six other professors of trade law arguing that the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit was giving inconsistent and too little deference to the Court of International Trade decisions in trade remedy cases. He worked with Yeutter Scholar Samantha Ritter, ’15, on the brief. Finally, Schaefer provided supplementary research support to the Law College’s first UARC/NSRI research project being led by Professor Jack Beard.

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Anthony B. Schutz
Associate Professor of Law

Professor Anthony Schutz taught Animals and Agricultural Law and Policy sponsored in part by the Egg Industry Center at Iowa State University. This was an intensive course with guest instructors Beth and Rusty Rumley from the National Agricultural Law Center and Maureen Moseman of the University of Nebraska. In addition to Nebraska Law students, the class attracted students from Boston College Law School, the University of South Dakota School of Law and the University of Arkansas School of Law.

Anna Williams Shavers
Cline Williams Professor of
Citizenship Law

Professor Anna Shavers published “Gender Issues in Problem-Solving Courts: A Response to Family Law Proposals” in *Problem Solving Courts: Social Science and Legal Perspectives*, edited by Nebraska Law/Psychology faculty Richard Wiener and Eve Brank. She also authored a chapter in and served as a contributing editor for the forthcoming book *What Every Lawyer Needs to Know about Immigration Law* published by the American Bar Association. She was elected as the 2014–2015 chair of the Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice of the American Bar Association and also serves as the liaison from the section to the Administrative Conference of the United States. She continues to serve as a member of the Governor’s State Task Force



on Human Trafficking. She made several presentations including “Human Trafficking and Corporate Responsibility” at the International Law Weekend at Fordham University School of Law, “Women and Customary International Law” to the Nebraska Chapter of the United Nations Association and “Starting/Reviving a Diversity Committee at your Firm/Organization” along with other panelists at the Nebraska State Bar Diversity Summit.

Jessica A. Shoemaker
Assistant Professor of Law

Professor Jessica Shoemaker presented a paper entitled “The Land Tenure We Inhabit: Indigenous Property and Power,” in which she considered the unique intersection of property and sovereignty issues in the modern U.S. Indian reservation, at the Association for Law, Property and Society meeting at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. Her paper, “No Sticks in My Bundle: Rethinking the Indian Land Tenure Problem,” was selected for publication in the *University of Kansas Law Review*. Shoemaker continues to be actively engaged in the university-wide Rural Futures Institute and is also supervising several new law student externships, with an emphasis on opportunities in rural areas. Shoemaker has also been focusing on efforts to expand public interest law opportunities for students, including through the Equal Justice Society student group and the Nebraska Public Interest Law Fund (NPILF) Summer Fellowship program.



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Brett C. Stohs Assistant Clinical Professor of Law and Cline Williams Director of the Entrepreneurship Legal Clinic

Professor Brett Stohs continues to broaden the scope of clients served by the Entrepreneurship Legal Clinic through partnerships with local organizations and engagement with service providers in rural Nebraska communities. Thanks to support from the Center for Rural Affairs Rural Enterprise Assistance Program (REAP) and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Engler Agribusiness Entrepreneurship Program, clinic students have had the opportunity to provide transactional legal services to clients in Elkhorn, Eustis, Fordyce, Holdrege, Imperial, Kimball, Loomis and North Platte. During the summer, three clinic students traveled to Chadron, Scottsbluff and Broken Bow to give presentations to local stakeholders regarding the clinic and its services. In connection with this clinic work, Stohs is in the early stages of a conducting research to understand the legal needs of rural startup business ventures and identify ways to increase access to transactional legal services in Greater Nebraska communities.

Outside the Entrepreneurship Clinic, Stohs co-organized the 13th Annual Transactional Clinical Conference, which is a national conference of transactional clinical professors. Held at DePaul University College of Law in Chicago, the conference attracted 24 presenters and a record 90 attendees. Stohs continues to serve law students outside the clinic, supervising a semester-long externship

with clinic partner Invest Nebraska, and serving as faculty advisor to a newly-formed student group called the Nebraska Entrepreneurship Organization, a student group focused on fostering and developing interest in legal and social issues of entrepreneurship.

Adam Thimmesch Assistant Professor of Law

Professor Adam Thimmesch's article, "The Tax Hangover: Trailing Nexus," was published at 33 *Virginia Tax Review* 497. The article is the first to comprehensively analyze the duration of states' taxing powers over non-resident persons and proposes that states utilize a new economic-latency approach to determine when nonresidents' tax obligations end. Thimmesch has been invited to write a complementary article for *State Tax Notes*. He also presented his current research on tax compliance at the University of Oklahoma Junior Scholar Conference, the Southeastern Association of Law Schools' Annual Conference and the Big Ten Junior Faculty Conference. That research evaluates the morality, psychology and economics of states' non-enforcement of use taxes and proposes new frameworks for addressing use-tax noncompliance and for applying research in this area to address tax enforcement and compliance more generally.

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Alan Tomkins Director, University of Nebraska Public Policy Center and Professor of Psychology and Law

Professor Alan Tomkins, along with lead author and MLS student Chris Kimbrough, Professor Brian Bornstein, National Center for State Courts researcher David Rottman and political scientist Mitch Herian, wrote an article, “The Verdict is In: Judge and Administrator Perceptions of State Court Governance,” an assessment of court governance based on a survey of 375 state court judges and administrators that will appear in an upcoming issue of the *Justice System Journal*.

Frans von der Dunk Harvey & Susan Perlman Alumni/ Othmer Professor of Space Law

Dr. Frans von der Dunk has recently handed in the manuscript of his *Handbook of Space Law*, which is due to appear January 2015. The book covers in 19 chapters, six of which he wrote, the broad gamut of space law, past, present and future. The preface was written by Rusty Schweickart, a U.S. astronaut who flew on Apollo 9 and has repeatedly worked with von der Dunk on legal issues relevant to space activities.

Von der Dunk co-chaired the annual Practitioners’ Forum organized by the European Centre of Space Law (ECSL) at the headquarters of the European

Space Agency (ESA) in Paris, France. The topic was “Recent Developments in Export Control Regulations on Space Technology,” and was introduced by von der Dunk by way of an overview of a few key international legal frameworks. Though the focus was then largely on European aspects of dual-use technology export control issues, Dennis Burnett, ’73, also addressed recent U.S. developments in the field.

Von der Dunk also spoke on “Liability for Damage Caused by Small Satellites – A Non-Issue?” at a conference on small satellites and their legal issues organized by the University of Vienna, Austria, and on the topic of “The ‘Space Side’ to Harmful Interference – Evaluating Regulatory Instruments” at the Third Workshop on Space Communications organized by the University of Luxembourg.

Von der Dunk presented remotely from Leiden, the Netherlands, an “Introduction to Space Law” as part of the UNL-STRATCOM workshop held in Lincoln, focusing on military space law and export control issues in a global setting. Finally, he participated remotely as a panel member in the ABA Webinar on the topic “Can Aviation Serve as a Model for Space Law: A Practical Approach?”

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Steven L. Willborn
Judge Harry A. Spencer
Professor of Law

Professor Steve Willborn published “Labor Law and the Race to the Bottom” at 65 *Mercer Law Review* 369. He presented “Perpetrators and Victims: Microaggression and Social Science” at a symposium on “Future Directions in Psychology, Public Policy and Law,” hosted by Professor Richard Wiener and the UNL Law and Psychology Program. Willborn was on two site visit teams as part of their American Bar Association re-accreditation process. He served as the chair of the site visit team at the University of Houston Law Center and was the sole member of the site visit team at the Madrid Summer Program of St. Louis University School of Law. Willborn was appointed reporter by the Uniform Law Commission on a project to write a uniform state law on wage garnishment. Finally, he concluded his long-time service as a board member for the Law School Admission Council. He is now a member of the Past Presidents’ group at LSAC, which involves providing constant advice, but assuming no responsibilities.

Sandra B. Zellmer
Robert B. Daugherty Professor of Law

Professor Sandi Zellmer served this summer as the distinguished environmental law scholar at the Vermont College of Law in South Royalton, Vt. She has been appointed a visiting scholar-in-residence at the University of Colorado Law School in Boulder, Colo., for Fall 2014. Zellmer is on sabbatical in 2014-15, and has spent much of her time this year marking the 50th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act by writing an article, “Wilderness in National Parks and Wildlife Refuges,” 44 *Environmental Law* 497, and speaking about federally designated wilderness areas at conferences and training sessions in Portland, Ore., Missoula, Mont., and Salt Lake City, Utah. She also presented a paper on the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the federal public lands for the Rocky Mt. Mineral Law Foundation in Santa Fe, N.M.

Follow the faculty at

<http://law.unl.edu/faculty-administration/>

Space, Cyber and Telecommunications Program Partners with FCC and American Enterprise Institute to Host Telecommunications Conference

Over the past 20 years, the communications ecosystem has rapidly converged toward general purpose and interoperable digital networks. More recently, this convergence has facilitated competition from both traditional and new firms using both facilities-based and over-the-top platforms. This ongoing evolution of the broadband ecosystem is changing both the shape of the industry and how we think about regulating it.

On September 10–12, the American Enterprise Institute’s Center for Internet, Communications and Technology Policy and the College of Law, in collaboration with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), hosted a three-day conference to discuss these issues. The conference highlighted the latest academic thinking on broadband regulation and gave FCC staff the opportunity to interact with leading scholars, featuring presentations of 10 academic papers, commentary from policy experts and regulators and plenary sessions.



Mississippi River Tragedies: Law Professor's Connection to River Results in Book

Professor Sandra Zellmer grew up on the banks of the Missouri River in Sioux City, Iowa. As a child, summers were spent fishing, boating and camping along that river and also near the Mississippi River Headwaters in northern Minnesota. Growing up, Zellmer learned of the direct impact that rivers had on landowners through the experiences of generations of her family and her family's farm, which ultimately was relocated to the Missouri River bluffs because of flooding. This personal connection to rivers and river life prompted Zellmer to pursue scholarship that examines flood plain management and its impact on people's lives and on the environment.

"In 2007, my co-author, Christine Klein, and I published an article in the *SMU Law Review* about lessons to be learned from Hurricane Katrina and Mississippi River flood plain management both before and after the hurricane," explained Zellmer. "But, there's always another chapter!" Following the publication of their article, Zellmer and Klein decided to dig further into the topic and, over the next seven years, labored on a project that ultimately became a book released in March, *Mississippi River Tragedies: A Century of Unnatural Disaster*.

In *Mississippi River Tragedies*, Zellmer and Klein examine how the existing law and policy of flood plain management has impacted the public and specifically those who live in the flood plain of the Mississippi River and its longest tributary, the Missouri. "There was a story we felt needed to be told: people like to claim that floods and other watery disasters are 'natural,' but the reality is that we have created a fallacy that inevitably contributes



Sandra Zellmer

to disasters that are 'unnatural' or manmade," explains Zellmer.

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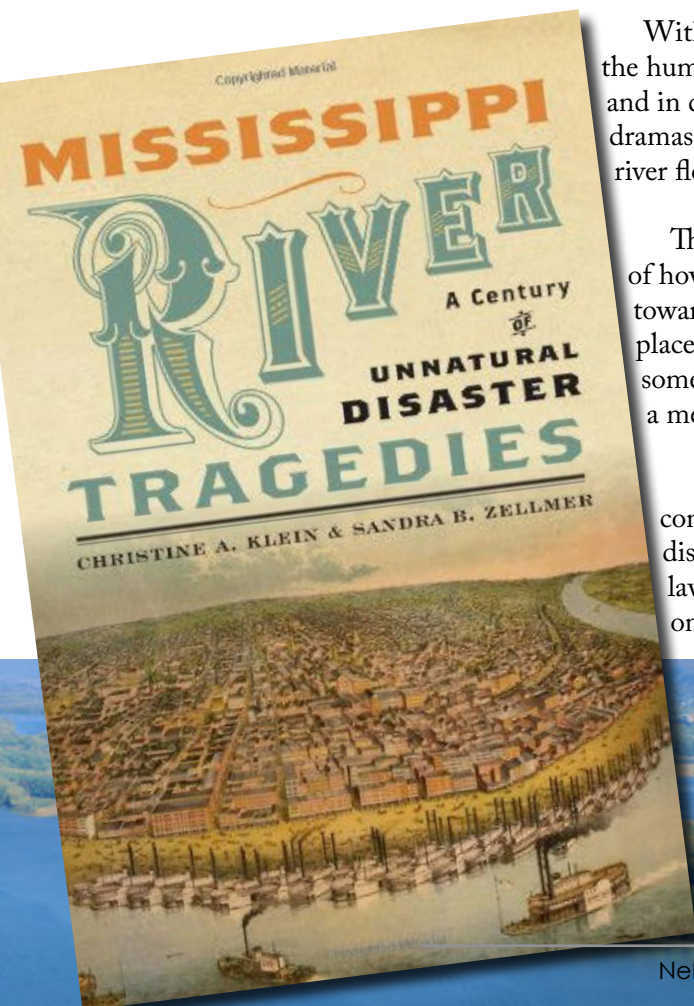
Zellmer and former research assistant Emily Rose, '12.

its tributaries to flow uphill, transforming over a thousand miles of roiling currents into a placid staircase of water, and wresting the lower half of the river apart from its flood plain. American law has aided and abetted these feats. “We have subsidized flood plain living through these technologies and through flood insurance,” said Zellmer. But despite our best efforts, so-called “natural disasters” continue to strike the Mississippi basin, as raging floodwaters decimate waterfront communities and abandoned towns literally crumble into the Gulf of Mexico. “Major floods happen roughly every 20 years, and because there are more and more people in the flood plains, more and more damage occurs each time. The disasters become bigger and more destructive each time.”

With this pattern in mind, *Mississippi River Tragedies* covers the stories of the human dreams, pride and foibles that brought us to where we are today, and in doing so makes the law accessible by portraying actual courtroom dramas and combining them with the real-life stories of people impacted by river flooding.

Through these stories, the authors are able to reveal the bigger story of how the law reflects and even amplifies the public’s ambivalent attitude toward nature – raving about the beauty of a river or some other special place as it is while, at the same time, working feverishly to change it into something else. Despite these revelations, *Mississippi River Tragedies* relays a message of optimism.

“Our hope is that this book makes people think about the consequences of our actions and the knowledge needed to avoid future disasters,” said Zellmer. “We need to change how we think about the law and policy of flood plain management so that the next chapter is one with a happier ending.”



Frank Retires After Career Anchored in Service

After 42 years at Nebraska Law, Professor Emeritus Alan Frank is retiring. However, if you are around the College of Law, you might not notice. Frank continues to have an office at the Law College and is teaching Client Interviewing and Counseling during the Fall semester. In addition, he will continue to help edit THE NEBRASKA TRANSCRIPT and coach and administer the Client Counseling Competition.

"I guess I have a hard time letting go," Frank said. "When I left the Dean's Office [after serving as associate dean from 1979-1984], Dean [Harvey] Perlman had to practically pry the office key out of my hand."

Before Frank entered law school at the University of Wisconsin, he taught English as a second language for two years in the Peace Corps in Libya. "My Peace Corps experience is always with me," he said. Perhaps it is that experience that inclined him toward service activities at the Law College. "My scholarly accomplishments are rather thin," Frank said, "but I hope I have made up for that by serving the Law College in other ways." The College appears to agree. In 2005, he received the College of Law Alumni Council's Outstanding Service Award.

Serving as associate dean is only one of the many tasks Frank has undertaken at Nebraska Law, but it remains one of his favorites. "I enjoyed being at the center of things," he said. "Law teaching and scholarship can be somewhat solitary tasks. When you're an administrator, you are part of a team working toward common goals; that appealed to me." But the job was challenging. It was a half-time position, the other half being teaching one course a semester, and the Law College administration was thin. "There was only me, the dean and the place-

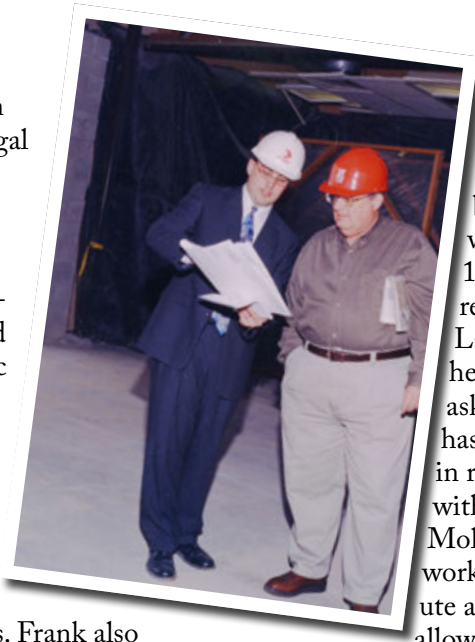


ment director," Frank recalled. "Now we have a profusion of administrators, and all of them are needed." In his five years in the Dean's Office, Frank served under three deans: Dean John Strong, Acting Dean Don Shaneyfelt and Dean Harvey Perlman. "I felt that one of my jobs was to provide some stability under changing circumstances," Frank recalled.

Two of his other service activities were ones Frank initiated during his first year at Nebraska Law. Frank was at the Law College only a few days when he had a conversation with Bruce Pauley, '73, about teaching law to school-age children. Soon thereafter they formed the Community Legal Education Project (CLEP), through which law students were afforded the opportunity to go to schools and civic groups and teach lay people about the law. The philosophy behind CLEP, said Frank, was that "the law was far too important and had far too great an effect on the lives of this country's citizens to keep knowledge of it confined to lawyers." It was important, he said, that "young people, especially, learn not only practical information about the laws that affected them, but also gain an appreciation for the legal system and are able to think critically about it." A bi-product of

CLEP was that law students had an opportunity to put their growing legal knowledge to the service of others.

Frank ran CLEP for a number of years and then turned it over to students while he remained its advisor. A few years ago, he relinquished the advising duties to Professor Eric Berger. CLEP was twice awarded the Lincoln Bar Association's Liberty Bell award; one for the CLEP program itself and another for the Bill of Rights in Nebraska Project, a group that Frank chaired that wrote curricula about the Bill of Rights at various grade levels. Frank also received an Award of Appreciation from the Nebraska State Bar Association for creating a better understanding of the legal profession and the administration of justice and was nominated by his peers in Nebraska for the national Isadore Starr Award for Service to Law-Related Education.



emeritus.”

Although putting out an alumni magazine is no small task and making deadlines is often challenging, Frank is grateful to have had the opportunity to be part of *THE NEBRASKA TRANSCRIPT*. “It was wonderful to

Lange, '86, as assistant dean for alumni affairs, and with the increased emphasis placed on alumni communications, she began to play a more predominant role with the publication. This culminated in 1998 with the administration assuming responsibility for the *TRANSCRIPT* with Lange as its editor. A year later, Lange left her position, and Dean Nancy Rapoport asked Frank to assume the editorship. He has stayed in that role ever since, although in recent years he has shared the duties with Assistant Deans Sarah Gloden and Molly Brummond. “Molly does most of the work now,” Frank said, “but I still contribute and am delighted that the College is allowing me to continue to do so as editor

After 42 years on the faculty, Professor Alan Frank retires, although will continue to teach, coach and contribute to College in multiple ways.

Also in his first year at the Law College, Frank and two other first year professors – David Ludtke and John Snowden – concerned about the lack of diversity among the students at the Law College, formed the Minority Recruitment Committee to try to do something about it. The committee of faculty and students put together information packets, put on panel discussions, produced a video and contacted organizations that worked with minority undergraduate and high school students throughout the Midwest. Later Frank and Professor Steve Willborn directed a CLEO (Council of Legal Education Opportunity) Regional Summer Institute that provided prelaw training for disadvantaged students throughout the country. The Minority Recruitment Committee lives on today as the Multi-Cultural Legal Society.

Not very long into his Law College career, Frank began his involvement with the College's alumni magazine, *THE NEBRASKA TRANSCRIPT*. The *TRANSCRIPT* began as a student publication, and for years Frank was its faculty advisor. In 1990, the College hired Anne

work with so many creative, talented and hard-working student editors over the years,” Frank said. As editor, he especially enjoyed compiling the magazine's AlumNotes and writing feature stories about the many and varied accomplishments of the College's alumni. “We have many amazing alums, and I have been privileged to help them share their stories,” he said.

Frank has taught a variety of courses at the Law College. One of them was Legal Research and Writing. “Bill Lyons had done an incredible job of teaching Legal Writing for a number of years,” Frank recalled, “but he was needed in the tax and business curriculum, so I volunteered to take over.” What Frank is most proud of in his seven years as Legal Writing director was hiring a significant number of women as adjunct instructors.

One reason why Frank left the Legal Writing program was to enable him to begin teaching Mediation and Family Law Practice. He was one of the founding members of Lincoln's Mediation Center and served for

many years on its board of directors. But up to that point he had not been trained as a mediator. With the support of Dean Perlman, who gave him a semester's leave and funded his attendance at a series of trainings, he became a mediator – and, in conjunction with the Mediation Center, a teacher of mediation. For the contributions he has made to mediation in Nebraska, both inside and outside of the classroom, Frank has received the Master Mediator Award from the Mediation Center and the Outstanding Member Award from the Nebraska Mediation Association.

The Family Law Practice course also emphasized practical skills with the students negotiating an upper-middle class divorce settlement and parenting plan as well as working on live-client cases through the College's Civil Clinic. By adding these two courses to the Client Interviewing and Counseling course he was already teaching, Frank said that he had "found his niche teaching non-adversary lawyering skills. I like the idea of solving problems collaboratively and creatively. Mediation allows you to come up with your own solutions. It is more flexible and enables parties to work together, express themselves and preserve relationships."

It is client counseling, however, with which Frank is probably most associated. He first realized the need for



law schools to teach about client interviewing and counseling when he was a student intern at a legal aid office. "I realized I didn't know how to do a legal interview," he recalled. "Yet most lawyers spend much of their time in their offices, working with clients." Later he had the opportunity to meet Lou



Brown, an advocate for "preventive law," who had begun the Client Counseling Competition in California. With Brown's encouragement, Frank teamed with Janet Krause of the University's Counseling Center to teach a non-credit course, Human Interactions in Professional Relationships, which eventually became the Client Counseling course. Frank has been involved with the course for more than 40 years.

At the same time, Frank began the College's participation in the ABA-sponsored Client Counseling Competition. The College's first team of Bob Cannon, '76, and Susan Jacobs, '76, went on to win the national championship in 1975. Four years later, Frank invited Professor Craig Lawson to join him as coach and, as is chronicled elsewhere in this issue of the *TRANSCRIPT*, the two of them have compiled a remarkable record of success including winning four additional national championships, three of which occurred in the past six years.

In the 2014-2015 academic year, 40 years after Frank started the College's involvement with the competition, Frank and Lawson are part of two events that will mark the apex of their coaching careers. In September, the Law College's competition was named the Alan Frank and Craig Lawson Client Counseling Competition, and in April, the College will host the Louis M. Brown and Forrest S. Mosten International Client Consultation Competition in Lincoln.

Looking back at his career at Nebraska Law, Frank said that what is most important to him are the people. That includes the many students he has had in his classes and with whom he has interacted in the many activities with which he has been involved; the faculty, many of whom are close friends; and the adjuncts he has worked closely with in teaching skills courses, including Kathy Olson, '81, who he has partnered with in Client Counseling for more than 30 years. "Because of them and all that they have done, I'll always be proud to have



been part of Nebraska Law," he said.

Now Frank hopes to spend more time traveling, reading, watching baseball and being with his grandchildren. Of course, you'll still see him around the Law College until he feels it is finally time to "let go" of his involvement.

Client Counseling Competition Named in Honor of Professors Frank, Lawson

On the occasion of Professor Alan Frank's retirement, the Nebraska Law faculty decided to honor him and Professor Craig Lawson by naming the Law College's Client Counseling Competition the Alan Frank and Craig Lawson Client Counseling Competition. Frank began the College's participation in the ABA-sponsored national Client Counseling Competition in the spring semester of 1975 and has been involved in the competition ever since. Lawson joined him four years later.

Over those years, Frank and Lawson-coached teams have assembled an enviable record. In 40 years, the College's Client Counseling Competition teams have won 14 regional championships, 11 of which have occurred in the past 19 years; five national championships, four of which have occurred in the past 11 years and three of which took place in the past six years; and one international championship. The College's teams have also

finished second in the national competition twice and third twice. Its 2014 team finished second in the international competition.

"Craig and I are deeply honored to have the College's Client Counseling Competition named after us. I can think of no retirement gift that would mean as much to me," said Frank. "It has been a pleasure to be involved in the competition and to work with the skilled and hard-working students that made the College's success in the competition over the years possible."

The naming became official at a lunch, to which the College's winning teams were invited, held at the Law College on September 27 during Alumni Weekend. The lunch and naming ceremony will be covered in the next issue of *THE NEBRASKA TRANSCRIPT*.

Client Counseling Team Wins National Competition, Second in Internationals

By Loguen Blazek, '16

The College of Law's tradition of excellence in client counseling continues! Nebraska Law students Katie Joseph, '15, and Rick Tast, '15, won the 2014 National Client Counseling Competition and went on to represent the United States at the International Client Counseling Competition in Puerto Rico where they took second place.

Joseph and Tast's win at the 2014 National Client Counseling Competition was the third for the College of Law in the last six years and the fifth overall for the College. Professor Craig Lawson, who along with Professor Alan Frank coaches the teams, attributes much of the College's overall success in the competition to the talent of the students. "After working with several different teams over the last 36 years, one thing we have learned as coaches is that when you have a good team such as Rick and Katie, not to mess with them too much" said Lawson.

The Client Counseling Competition consists of teams of two law students who perform mock interviews with an actor posing as a client before a panel of three judges. The judges' panel is made up of legal and counseling professionals. Each competition focuses on a broad area of the law that the teams are given beforehand. The teams receive a brief statement of what the client's concerns may be before they meet with the clients. However, the client counseling teams do not learn any specifics about the nature of the client's problem until the actual interview time.

Once the interview begins, the teams are judged on a variety of criteria including establishing effective relations with the client, analyzing the client's problem, working as a team, post-interview reflection and forming possible strategies and solutions in front of the judges.

During each Client Counseling Competition, teams have three interviews with the top teams advancing to the semi-final and final rounds. To make it to the international competition teams must first win their regional and national competition. "One of the benefits for our client counseling teams is that before they compete at the regional level they have to place first in a school competition, which is set up similar to the regional competition" said Lawson. "Therefore, the teams from the College of Law go into the regional competition with the added advantage of experience, already having gone through several mock client interviews in a competitive setting." The rigorous intraschool competition could not be accomplished without the strong support from alumni, local professionals, faculty and students who agree to volunteer their time to make the school competition possible.





“After doing the Client Counseling Competitions, I am much more confident and feel more prepared when dealing with real clients and settings as a summer associate, and would highly recommend taking part in this competition to all law students” - Katie Joseph.



Katie Joseph and Rick Tast compete in the semi-final round of the international competition in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Both Tast and Joseph commented that the support from the Law College and surrounding legal community was invaluable to their preparation and success in the client counseling competitions. “The Client Counseling Competition is a large time commitment, but the professors, coaches and legal community were extremely

Tast and Joseph were friends before they decided to be partners for the Client Counseling Competition. “Knowing each other well beforehand made it easier to work together during the competition,” said Tast. “We competed in the intraschool competition for first-year law students our 1L year and really enjoyed it, which is what helped us decide to compete again as 2Ls,” said Joseph.

“Katie and I have a different way of thinking about things and working through problems, which helped us work really well together,” Tast added.

This year’s problems involved questions about the First Amendment. “After getting the basic synopsis of the problem, we started by talking it out and brainstorming before discussing the possible issues with faculty and professionals in that particular field,” said Tast. “Input from various experts including Professors Duncan and Moberly helped us grasp a more thorough understanding of the potential issues a client could have and how to address them, which was very helpful.”

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Joseph added, “The time and advice contributed by the coaches and professors was extremely beneficial in our preparation for the competitions. Professors Lawson and Frank were great to work with and helped us refine and polish our approach without trying to interfere with or change our style.”

According to Lawson, “One of the things that gave Rick and Katie an advantage was the fact that they were both ‘non-traditional’ law students who pursued other careers between undergraduate work and law school. It allowed them both to draw from more experiences when dealing with the clients, and that gave them an edge.”

“There was a lot of preparation that went into each level of competition,” said Joseph. Tast and Joseph went through about five practice interviews for each phase of competition. Following these practice interviews would be an hour long discussion of the interview by coaches and legal professionals to help the team analyze and improve on their performance for the actual competition. “Time management was very crucial when having to prepare for the competition on top of regular classes and other extracurricular activities, but the skills and experiences you gain from it make the Client Counseling Competition worth it,” said Tast. Added Joseph, “The Client Counseling Competition provides unique experiences, which you can’t get from just taking traditional classes.”

One of those unique experiences for the duo included a trip to San Juan, Puerto Rico, where they competed at the International Client Consultation Competition

after their first place win at the National Competition. “The International Competition was very different than all the other competitions,” said Joseph. “We were able to meet people from all over the world and get a closer look at different legal systems.”

“Much more of the focus at the international level of the competition was on the style of counseling the client rather than on the law aspect of the interview because the substantive law was different for each country,” added Tast.

Lawson added, “One of the biggest differences at the International Competition is not just the different substantive laws from each country, but also the level of schooling it takes to obtain a legal degree. In many of the other countries, law is an undergraduate degree, which creates a different dynamic than the regional and national competitions in the United States with all graduate students.”

Added Frank, “The International Competition is more slow-paced, which gives the students an opportunity to do things together and get to know other law students from around the world, which is very exciting.”

Both Frank and Lawson emphasize the importance of activities such as Client Counseling for law students to help them gain hands on experience while still in law school. “Taking part in the Client Counseling Competition essentially provides students with tuition-free education, so why not take advantage of it,” said Frank.

“After doing the Client Counseling Competitions, I am much more confident and feel more prepared when dealing with real clients and settings as a summer associate, and would highly recommend taking part in this competition to all law students,” said Joseph. Tast agrees with this assessment. “Client counseling was a great way to gain experience in a more relaxed educational setting.”



Left to right: Rick Tast, Professor Craig Lawson, Katie Joseph and Professor Alan Frank in San Juan, Puerto Rico.



The team and its coaches accept second place at the closing ceremony of the International Client Consultation Competition.

Nebraska Law to Host International Client Consultation Competition

In April, Nebraska Law will host the 2015 Louis M. Brown and Forrest S. Mosten International Client Consultation Competition (ICCC) in Lincoln. In recent years, the ICCC has been held in San Juan, Glasgow, Dublin, Maastricht, Hong Kong and Las Vegas.

At the ICCC, law student teams from countries around the world – England, Ireland, Finland, India, Russia, Switzerland, Nigeria, Australia, Malaysia, and Cambodia, just to

the Law College to host the competition, and we are proud and excited to do so.”

The competition is run at a rather leisurely pace, so there is plenty of time for the students to get to know each other and to socialize. That means that hosting the ICCC involves more than just administering the competition. There are a number of dinners and social events involved, including Cultural Night, during which each team demonstrates some



name a few – engage in a friendly competition with the opportunity to hone their counseling skills and learn from each other. The Law College’s teams of students and their coaches attended the ICCC as the United States champions after winning the ABA National Client Counseling Competition in 2004, 2009, 2012, and again in April 2014. In 2009, the College’s team won the ICCC and just last spring, its team placed second.

Dean Susan Poser commented, “That is a remarkable record. Each time we have attended the competition, our students have gotten there largely because of the efforts of the College of Law coaches, Professors Alan Frank and Craig Lawson. It is because of their experience with the competition and their record of success that the ICCC asked

aspect of their country’s culture, and an Awards Banquet on the final night, during which all of the teams, and especially the winning team, are honored.

Nebraska Law alumni will be asked to play an important role in the ICCC by serving as judges and clients. And, as running the competition is an expensive undertaking, any donations would be greatly appreciated. You can contribute by sending a check made out to the University of Nebraska Foundation, with ICCC in the memo, to Dean Poser at the College.

Look for coverage of the 2015 ICCC in a future issue of THE NEBRASKA TRANSCRIPT.

New Space and Satellite Business Course Introduced

U.S. Space policy has favored increasing commercialization for three decades. Over 200 commercial space launches have occurred since the first one in 1989. New commercial activities, including ferrying cargo to and from the International Space Station (ISS) and performing research and experiments for the private sector on the ISS, are becoming routine. Soon human transportation and asteroid mining will be part of the commercial space landscape. In response, the Space, Cyber and Telecommunications Law programs have introduced a new course, Space and Satellite Business Law, taught by adjunct professors Dennis Burnett, '73, and Franceska Schroeder. The new course was developed at the advice of the program Advisory Board and the LL.M. Alumni Council to address the need for practical application of law in the business realm of the space industry.

This course will review and examine the history of presidential space policies regarding space commercialization. It also will explore the work of all key federal agencies charged with licensing and regulating the commercial space transportation and satellite industries. The role of NASA also will be explored as the non-regulatory agency that could have a significant impact on the success of private sector-led commercial space ventures. The largest portion of the course will focus on agreements that form relationships in the commercial space industry. The course also will look at new contract forms being used by NASA in its growing role as a consumer of commercial space services and at the agreements that set forth the relationship between the launch site operator and launch vehicle operator. The course will conclude with students engaging in a simulation of a condensed commercial space business transaction – from business plan to launch.



Renowned Scholar Richard Epstein Delivers Roscoe Pound Lecture

By Loguen Blazek, '16



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The annual Roscoe Pound Lecture was delivered by Professor Richard Epstein on March 4, 2014, in Hamann Auditorium. The first lecture was given by Roscoe Pound himself in 1950, and since then, each spring, it has provided the Law College community with the opportunity to annually host distinguished scholars like Epstein.

Epstein is the Lawrence A. Tish professor of law at New York University. He is also a senior fellow at the Hoover Institution and a distinguished professor emeritus and senior lecturer at the University of Chicago. Epstein received bachelor's degrees from Columbia and Oxford and earned his law degree at Yale University.

The focus of Epstein's Pound Lecture was the upside-down relationships that exist when dealing with financial takings. There are two main questions that Epstein addressed: First, “How it is that large numbers of state, local, municipal governments and county governments, will handle their pension obligations to their public union

employees and indeed other employees.” Second: “What the treatment will be of the shareholders of the once defunct and now prosperous corporations, Fannie Mae and Freddy Mac, which are essentially those publicly-charted organizations, government-sponsored enterprises they are sometimes called, which, in fact, were thrown into a conservatorship when they were on the brink of bankruptcy and disaster in 2008, but have taken a comeback since then.”

The main conclusion Epstein reached was that the majority view in these situations is actually the opposite of how such circumstances should be handled. Epstein suggested that in the law of takings, “you need to have flexibility in labor-management type situations and you need to have predictability with respect to financial arrangements, and so the constitutional arguments that get you into the opposite direction seem to require some serious reflection and consideration.” Epstein went on to suggest, “In order to accomplish this view, it becomes necessary to figure out how it is that you structure the basic law of takings.”

“There are two ways to structure the law of takings,” said Epstein. “One possible way to structure the law of takings is a highly normative framework, while the other is a messier situation on the ground in regards to the law.”

Under the normative approach, Epstein said that there is no distinction between “those takings which involve government occupation of private property, which may either be kept or transferred to other persons, on the one hand, and government restrictions on the way in which you may or may not use the property in question. In each case, there is a taking of some property interest. In both of these circumstances, the correct measure is to compensate people for the loss that they’ve sustained so that the government always faces a price when it decides to exercise its unilateral option. When

the price turns out to be too high, the government will decide not to take it.”

This highly-normative framework formation of takings law is preferable according to Epstein. Epstein’s lecture further explained the reasoning behind his viewpoint by dissecting major cases that have led to the current takings law, including, *Lorretto v. Teleprompter* and a case involving the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and Grand Central Station on landmark designation. He said, “There is no fixed rule that tells you when compensation is owing when the government restricts the use as opposed to occupying the property. It all depends on a very complicated balance of interests between the two sides, and it should be widely understood that a simple diminution in value



Law is experience developed by reason and applied continually to further experience.

(Roscoe Pound)

as a function of the regulation imposed does not itself generate a compensation obligation on the government, unless and until there is some kind of a complete wipeout or the property itself becomes something less than economically viable.”

Epstein closed his lecture with a statement about where the law of takings stands at this point and how best to look this complex situation. “When you’re dealing with institutional complexities, you are always asking the question, not what is right and what is wrong. You’re trying to ask the question, as between two imperfect types of arrangements, which of these is going to give you the greatest danger? And it turns out, I think, that the unilateral good faith alternative, as opposed to the bilateral mutual consent arrangement, is in these cases the much safer alternative.”

2013-2014 Student Accolades

Graduation with Highest Distinction

Martin Demoret, '14 Mark Grimes, '14
Lori Hoetger, '14 Joel Rische, '14
Emily Tunink, '14

Graduation with High Distinction

Paige Amundson, '14 Gandy Meaghan, '14
Elizabeth Henthorn, '14 Katherine Kelley, '14
Malcom Brennon, '14 Barbara Masilko, '14
Jeffrey McGuire, '14 Halley Ostergard, '14
Anne Peetz, '14 Spencer Shucard, '14

Graduation with Distinction

Claire Bazata, '14 Lindsay Belmont, '14
Brett Bevis, '14 Amy Clemens, '14
Angela DeVold, '14 Katlin Geyer, '14
Wesley Goranson, '14 Craig Halbasch, '14
Benjamin Herbers, '14 Ryan Kapsimallis, '14
Bijan Koohmaraie, '14 Nema Koohmaraie, '14
Daniel Leddy, '14 Sara McCue, '14
Ryan McIntosh, '14 James Newell, '14
Kyle Petersen, '14 Zachary Petersen, '14
Christopher Preston, '14 Michael Rickert, '14
Corey Rotschafer, '14 Sarah Safarik, '14
Stephen Schutz, '14 Thomas Shires, '14
Blake Simpson, '14 Leslie Stryker, '14

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Martin Demoret, '14 Barbara Masilko, '14
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Mark Grimes, '14 Joel Rische, '14
Lori Hoetger, '14 Spencer Shucard, '14
Katherine Kelley, '14 Emily Tunink, '14

Order of the Barristers

Caitlin Cedfeldt, '14 Kelsey Dawson, '14
Benjamin Herbers, '14 Danielle Jones, '14
Nema Koohmaraie, '14 Barbara Masilko, '14
Corey Rotschafer, '14 David Schwenke, '14
Scott Shoemaker, '14

Guy Cleveland Chambers Award for Academic Excellence (top graduating students)

Martin Demoret, '14 Lori Hoetger, '14

Professor Richard Harnsberger Prize for Outstanding Academic Achievement (top grades in their class)

Craig Finger, '16 Sarah Maresh, '15
Martin Demoret, '14

Professor Richard Harnsberger Prize for Most Improved Student

Ciara Coleman, '15

Theodore C. Sorensen Fellowship

Brian Fahey, '15

Professor Arthur Bruce Winter Constitutional Law Scholar Award

Sarah Maresh, '15

David A. Ludtke-Great Plains Federal Tax Institute Scholarship

Elizabeth Henthorn, '14

Philip G. Johnson-Great Plains Federal Tax Institute Scholarship

Jeffrey McGuire, '14

Woods & Aitken Outstanding Student Award

Paige Amundson, '14

Credit Advisors Foundation Award (outstanding Civil Clinic student)

Kyle McGinn, '14

Pat Gies Memorial Award (Civil Clinic students demonstrating professional excellence, civility, collegiality and kindness)

Megan Osler, '14 Rachel O'Toole, '14

International Academy of Trial Lawyers Student Advocacy Award (outstanding Criminal Clinic student)

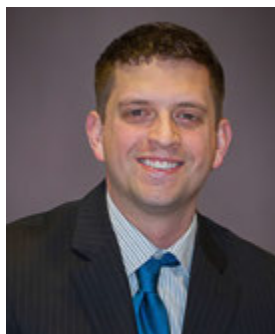
Caleb Duncan, '14

Koley Jessen Entrepreneurship Award (outstanding work in the Entrepreneurship Clinic)

Brennon Malcom, '14

Robert G. Simmons Nebraska Law Practice Award

Blake Simpson, '14 Christopher Preston, '14



Demoret



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American Bankruptcy Institute Award Medal of Excellence

Emily Tunink, '14

ALI CLE Scholarship & Leadership Award

Paige Amundson, '14 Nema Koohmaraie, '14
Sara McCue, '14 Maryellen McKitterick, '14
Anne Peetz, '14

Silver Quill Award (presented by Nebraska Bar Association for best overall performance in Foundational Legal Skills)

Christopher Schmidt, '16

Gross & Welch Best Brief Award (best brief in Foundational Legal Skills)

Kirsten Haugen, '16 Megan Theesen-Fenton, '16

McGrath North Mullin & Kratz Legal Writing Award

Kara Brostrom, '16 Joshua Christolear, '16
Christopher Gruber, '16 Briana Hildebrand, '16
Sean Kipp, '16 Tess Moyer, '16
Christopher Schmidt, '16 Shannon Schroeder, '16
John Zimmer, '16 Megan Theesen-Fenton, '16

The American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA) Award (for outstanding performance in Trial Advocacy)

Brian Fahey, '15 Jordan Talsma, '15

National Moot Court Team

Barbara Masilko '14 Zachery Petersen, '14
David Schwenke, '14 Scott Shoemaker, '14
Stephen West, '14

Thomas Stinson Allen Moot Court Competition – 1st Place

Sarah Hindman, '15 Kelsey Kalhoff, '15

Kenneth L. Noha Best Brief Award (Thomas Stinson Allen Moot Court Competition)

Nathan Clark, '15 Titus Hattan, '15

Roscoe Pound Award (best oral advocate in Thomas Stinson Allen Moot Court Competition)

Nathan Clark, '15

Grether Moot Court Competition – 1st Place

Richard Tast, '15 Jacob Tewes, '15

Grether Moot Court Competition Best Oral Advocate

Nathan Clark, '15 Jacob Tewes, '15

Grether Moot Court Competition Best Brief

Nathan Clark, '15 Titus Hattan, '15

Robert A. Cannon & Susan Jacobs Client Counseling Award (first-place team in Client Counseling Competition)

Katie Joseph, '15 Richard Tast, '15

National Client Counseling Competition Regional and National Champions and International 2nd Place

Katie Joseph, '15 Richard Tast, '15

National Trial Team

Kelsey Dawson, '14 Danielle Jones, '14
David Schwenke, '14 Scott Shoemaker, '14
Julie Ann Wagner, '14

Mediation Triathlon Competition – 1st Place

Kelsey Dawson, '14 Megan Osler, '14
Justin Yates, '14

Pro Bono Initiative

Caitlin Cedfeldt, '14 Angela DeVold, '14
Seamus Kelly, '14 Christopher Preston, '14
Spencer Shucard, '14 Ryan Wolfe, '14

National Association of Women Lawyers Outstanding Law Student Award

Noelle Polk, '14

Civil Clinic Students Take Services to Underserved Areas of the State

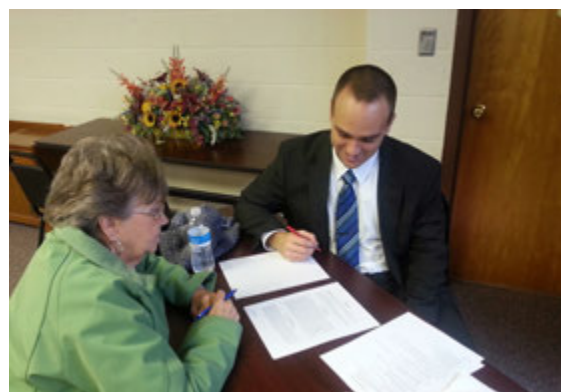


Third year law students in the College of Law's Civil Clinic executed an Advanced Directive Clinic (ADC) program in rural parts of the state over the course of the last nine months. In general, the purpose of the program was to provide limited free estate planning services to senior citizens in rural and semi-rural communities that do not typically have access to the services provided by the clinic. Participating students drafted documents before they left for the site. They were then finalized on site with clients. Typical documents included a simple will, a durable power of attorney instrument, a health care power of attorney instrument and a living will.

Students and faculty traveled to Scottsbluff, Beatrice, Hastings and North Platte to meet with clients, make revisions and ultimately execute the documents. They traveled with a full mobile office and three notaries. Each client of the ADC left with fully executed documents in hand along with detailed instructions as to what to do with them.

The program was a joint venture between the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care State Unit on Aging (NDHHS), Legal Aid of Nebraska and the Civil Clinic, funded through a three-year federal grant awarded to NDHHS. In its second year, the ADC program will travel to Columbus, Fremont and Omaha.

To date, the students assisted 97 clients and drafted and executed 357 estate-planning documents.



College Celebrates Commencement

Members of the College of Law's Class of 2014 received their degrees on May 10, 2014, at a ceremony held at the Lied Center for the Performing Arts. The commencement address was delivered by Terri J. Minatra, former general counsel for National Public Radio. This is an edited version of what she had to say to the Class of 2014:

Your graduation year, 2014, marks a number of anniversaries. It is the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which outlawed racial and sexual discrimination.

On a lighter note, it is also the 50th anniversary of the Beatles "invasion" and the Ford Mustang.

2014 is the 40th anniversary of Watergate, when the Supreme Court ordered President Nixon to surrender "tape recordings" that had earlier been subpoenaed by the House Judiciary Committee. Nixon's resignation from the presidency soon followed. "Tape recordings?" Would Watergate have had a different outcome if today's technology had existed then?

This year marks the 10th anniversary of Facebook. Its CEO predicts that in the next decade social networking will move beyond its current role as a space to connect in, to becoming the place where complex problems get solved. How might that prediction, if realized, impact our profession?

And 2014 is the 30th anniversary of my own law school graduation from the University of Texas. As I sat in what is today your chair, I knew only a couple of things about my career: I would spend my summer studying for the bar exam in August and I would start work as an associate at Texas Instruments in September. I was initially assigned to SEC compliance work. After two months of researching short swing profits, I begged for an opportunity in an area that involved people. So began my work in labor and employment law and the first of many opportunities in my career to build a bridge between the human resources and legal departments.

When I started out, I had no idea that my only stint with a traditional law firm would be in mid-career, with the law firm of Hunter Smith and Davis in Kingsport,

Tenn. Nor did I know that I would be able to make a living as a sole practitioner for over 10 years, working mostly from home in yoga pants.

When I graduated, I never dreamed that I would be so fortunate to spend half of my career as in-house counsel with six companies in vastly different industries, from semi-conductors to Bob the Builder. I enjoy being in house because I enjoy being part of a team working toward a common goal. I like learning the business of the company and being able to contribute to the bottom line. There is a widespread rumor that in-house counsel are able to have better work life balance than our colleagues in law firms, but I never found that to be true. You are constantly physically accessible to your clients, which allows for great opportunities to build trust and teamwork, but can also result in being followed into the ladies room for a consult or even a signature.

Thirty years ago, it would have never entered my mind that I would serve as general counsel and vice president of legal and business affairs for National Public

Radio, where I was fond of saying that *I put the general* in general counsel. NPR is a 24/7 365 operation, with multiple domestic and 17 international bureaus. One of the business models is that when disaster strikes, a team of journalists and producers go to the disaster. That business model is challenging when you are charged with mitigating risk for the company.

As GC, you answer your phone at 2 a.m. to learn that one of your reporters on the ground in, pick one – Egypt, Syria, China, Pakistan – has missed the established check-in time, and you don't go back to sleep until the call comes that she's back in touch. On another evening, you are on the phone from 11 p.m. until 3 a.m. leading the Crisis Management Team working to secure the web publishing system and company Twitter accounts that were hacked by the Syrian Electronic Army. You're back on the



phone again at 5 a.m., working with the Marketing and Communications Team to prepare a statement about the incident to stations and a separate one for the general public. At 7 a.m., the CFO calls to say that conditions are finally favorable to go to market on the bond refinance, so could you “be in the office by 8 a.m.?”

And there’s a day job here, too: serving as part of the Executive Leadership Team to set strategic direction; manage an incredible work flow with limited resources; provide active leadership in developing each member of your team; give governance and board support as assistant secretary; advise on ethics issues as chief ethics officer; and yes, do the occasional piece of actual legal work.

When I considered taking the Voluntary Buyout Program that I helped to develop for NPR, I reviewed the goals I set for myself in joining NPR – all checked off. I asked myself if I was being a good girl scout and leaving the campground a better place than I found it. Check. So I said out loud one of the words that every lawyer must learn to say with conviction when it is appropriate: “Now.” The others are “No” and “I quit.”

A mathematician may be able to prove that the shortest distance between two points is a straight line, but my question is what will you miss if you focus on the shortest distance. I prefer the thinking of Arthur Ashe: “Success is a journey, not a destination. The doing is often more important than the outcome.”

If you have a plan for your career, that’s great. But if you’re still working on getting a plan, take heart. You need not know everything you want to do in your career, just the *next* thing. Be interested in people and their situations, whether they are legal-flavored or not and you will be in a position to learn something from almost everyone you meet. This will make you a better lawyer and a better Jeopardy player. Your plan needs to be a living breathing tool, evolving to sync with your professional development, your personal passions and interests and the opportunities that you create as well as those that find you.

Your three years at the University of Nebraska College of Law have taught you how to become a lawyer. The next step is to actually be a lawyer. While some of learning how to be a lawyer will take place at your job, you will also learn a lot about being a lawyer by navigating society’s expectations of our profession. And I am happy to report that these expectations are not all embodied in bad lawyer jokes. Two things I can share with you that are

nearly universal experiences in our profession: (1) The very person who regularly sends you bad lawyer jokes will have a time in their life when they will ask for your help. And you will help them. (2) You will do some amount of legal work for your family at no charge. It’s a given.

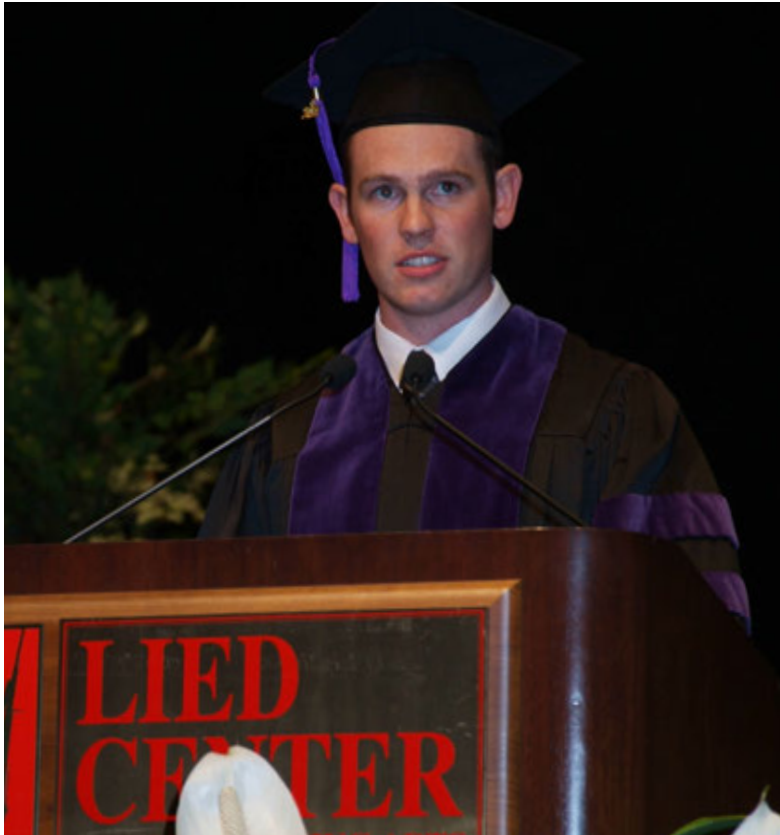
Your education at the University of Nebraska College of Law has taught you a particular way to think about issues and problems and how to resolve and solve such issues and problems. This is the oft maligned “thinking like a lawyer.” To me, “thinking like a lawyer” means this: a discipline of clearly framing issues; an inquisitiveness to gather as many of the facts as possible in the time allowed, an open mind to consider all sides of an issue and the ability to recognize the strengths and weaknesses of each, a balance to weigh the risks reasonably against the rewards, the heart to want to help solve problems, and the ambition to want to help build or better things.

Thinking like a lawyer includes the ability to see the other person’s perspective. It is possible to be a zealous advocate for your client or your position without being rude or mean-spirited, neither of which serves our profession or our clients. I’ve seen attitude and stubbornness crash huge deals and negatively impact countless lives, needlessly. Aim for a “tough, but fair” reputation.

Thinking like a lawyer means you understand that you don’t know it all and that you may have to look things up, but that you *will* get the answer. It means listening more than you talk. It means asking the magic questions: “How can I help you?” and “What would you like to achieve here?”

Ignore any negative press regarding “thinking like a lawyer.” Embrace it as your tool for life. You will think like a lawyer as you serve on a board of a local non-profit agency. You will think like a lawyer as you participate in candidate forums, if you run for political office. You will think like a lawyer as you serve in a leadership position in your house of worship or civic group. You will think like a lawyer all your life – it’s *how* you will be a lawyer, both in your practice and in your community. And if you can think like a lawyer while maintaining a sense of humor, you’re ahead before you even start.

As you graduate today and join our noble chosen profession, I challenge you to be great lawyers as well as active members of your communities and your families by continually refining your skill of “thinking like a lawyer.”



Class president David Schwenke, '14, addresses classmates during commencement exercises.



Monica Stoncy, '14, receives her diploma from Dean Susan Poser.



Claire K. Bazata, '14, and her father Claude E. Berreckman, Jr., '83.



Leslie S. Stryker, '14, and her mother, Susan L. Durham Stryker, '86.



Dean Susan Poser with Zachary Pahlke, '14.



Halley Acklie Ostergard, '14, with her uncle Jeffrey L. Schumacher, '82, and her grandfather, Duane W. Acklie, '55.



Elizabeth A. Stobel, '14, and her father Rick L. Ediger, '77.



Noelle A. Polk, '14, and her mother Bobbi



Dean Susan Poser with Danielle Jones, '14.



Dean Susan Poser with Blake Simpson, '14.



Stephen J. Schutz, '14, and his brother Professor Anthony B. Schutz, '03.



Dean Susan Poser with Mark Ellis, '14.



Brennon D. Malcolm, '14, and his brother Bronson J. Malcolm, '07.



Dean Susan Poser with Anne G. Peetz, '14.



Nema Koohmaraie, '14, and his brother Bijan Koohmaraie, '14.



Dean Susan Poser with Kelsey Dawson, '14.



Sean James, '14, with his aunt Shirley Mora James, '92.

Law Library Archives Alums' Papers

By Richard A. Leiter, Director of Schmid Law Library, and Marcia Dority Baker, Assistant Professor of Law Library



The Schmid Law Library maintains collections of personal and professional papers for a number of Nebraska Law alumni. This is one way that alums can preserve their legacies.

The library's archive materials are stored in a large temperature-controlled room kept at a constant temperature to keep the materials as safe as possible. The archive room in the Schmid Law Library provides storage and workspace for the archive collections. In addition to personal files, archive collections include correspondence, professional files and case files from significant Nebraska cases, as well as memorabilia and photos.



The Schmid Law Library has a working relationship with Love Library's Archives and Special Collections Department to expertly store and preserve the individual documents. For example, many documents come to us paper-clipped or stapled together. Over time, the metal staples or paper clips can rust and damage the documents. So, as part of preparing the materials for storage, the staples, paper clips, glues or bits of tape are removed and the documents are smoothed and preserved in archival boxes. The process of preparing, preserving and describing the materials takes considerable time and special skills to be done well.

Materials are also fully indexed and inventoried to provide useful finding tools for researchers. Two of our collections that have been fully processed are the personal archives of U.S. Solicitor General J. Lee Rankin, '30, and Congressman George E. Danielson, '39. The finding aids for these collections are available at our website at: <http://law.unl.edu/library/archives>. There you will find brief biographies of these men and can browse the finding aids to see the breadth of materials that we are preserving. As additional collections are processed, links to their finding aids will appear on this web page as well.



A small portion of the J. Lee Rankin collection is on display in the Rankin Seminar Room on the second floor of the library. This display includes holiday cards received from the White House, event photos and a globe from Rankin's Washington, D.C., office.

Moberly, Daniels, Amundson, Beynon Recognized with Alumni Council Awards

The College of Law Alumni Council held its annual Alumni Council Awards Luncheon on Friday, April 11 at the Lied Center for Performing Arts. Alumni Council chair Hon. Laurie Smith Camp, '77, served as the event's chairperson. This year the Alumni Council honored the accomplishments of Associate Dean and Professor Richard Moberly with the Distinguished Faculty Award and Hon. Vernon Daniels, '83, with the Distinguished Alumni Award. Also honored at the event were Paige Amundson, '14, a third year student and the Woods & Aitken Outstanding Student award recipient, and Esther Beynon, daughter of Ira Beynon, class of '19, the Outstanding Service Award recipient.



Nebraska Law Alums Sorensen, White Assisted in Passgagge of Civil Rights Act

By Katie Walter

The Civil Rights Act of 1964 celebrated 50 years on July 2, 2014. Part of the reason we are able to celebrate it is due to the work of two College of Law alumni who served as special counsel to two U.S. presidents: Lee White, '50, and Ted Sorensen, '51.

Most people know about Ted Sorensen's contribution, stemming from his early alliance with John F. Kennedy. In 1952, then-Senator Kennedy from Massachusetts hired Sorensen as his top legislative aide. Sorensen would later become one of Kennedy's closest and most trusted advisors. Sorensen's contribution to Kennedy's support of civil rights became evident in June 1963 when Kennedy asked Sorensen to produce a speech that he was to give six hours later about the importance of civil rights.

This speech became the stepping stone of the White House's commitment to getting legislation passed at a time when the House of Representatives had indicated it would not pass any civil rights legislation; by 1963, the call to action for the cause could no longer be ignored by the president. Sorensen was later quoted reassuring Lyndon B. Johnson on the signing of the groundbreaking Act, saying that he was sure Kennedy would have

passed the same legislation had he been president at the time.

A lesser-known player in the civil rights movement at the time, Lee White, was special counsel to both Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson. His promise and drive started early; during his senior year at the Law College, he was the editor-in-chief of the *NEBRASKA LAW REVIEW*. Sorensen was also on the Law Review staff during that time and in 1954, Sorensen persuaded Kennedy to hire White as a legislative assistant.

White later served as civil rights counsel to Kennedy, coordinating strategies to pass legislation and acting as an intermediary between the president and civil rights leaders. After Kennedy's assassination, White and others who worked for The White House submitted their letters of resignation. However, LBJ refused to accept them. In June 2014, the *Omaha World-Herald* quoted Johnson pleading with White to stay, telling him, "You got to believe this: If he [Kennedy] needed you, I need you more." White withdrew his resignation and continued working with Johnson on his quest to get the Act passed; their hard work paid off on June 2, 1964, the day LBJ signed the Civil Rights Act.



President Lyndon Baines Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act of 1964 on July 2nd. Nebraska Law alumni Ted Sorensen and Lee White played important roles in its passage.

Law Firms Give to Help Students Gain Public Interest Law Experience



Students at the College of Law who want experience in public interest law by accepting what are often unpaid internships are getting some needed support from Nebraska law firms.

Nearly \$90,000 has been given to the University of Nebraska Foundation during a current fundraising initiative aimed at supporting the Nebraska Public Interest Law Fund, which is used by the College of Law to encourage students to pursue public service law summer internships.

With the education of future generations of lawyers in mind, the following organizations recently provided leadership gifts to the fellowship program:

- Fraser Stryker of Omaha
- Koley Jessen of Omaha
- Lamson Dugan & Murray of Omaha
- Rembolt Ludtke of Lincoln

"These law firms have shown tremendous leadership by providing funding so Nebraska Law students can get experience serving people who otherwise do not have access to legal services and working for the public interest," said College of Law Dean Susan Poser. "The fellowship awards give students the opportunity to act on their professional responsibility by helping underserved communities while still in law school."

Law students who received a fellowship award this year worked in summer internships for a variety of public interest and public service organizations, including Legal Aid of Nebraska and the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund of New York.

Through recent gifts to the Nebraska Public Interest

Law Fund the College was able to double the amount of funding available to students over last year and substantially increase the number of students who received fellowships.

"All lawyers have a professional obligation to do pro bono work," Poser said. "These public interest law fellowships provide help to students for basic food and housing needs over the summer so they can do this kind of work and begin to understand and experience the vast amount of unmet legal need in this state and in the country."

With a fellowship award, Daniel Gutman of Omaha gained experience last summer at the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund in New York.

"This fellowship means a great deal to me personally, as it literally made my summer experience a reality," Gutman said. "Thankfully, through the Nebraska Public Interest Law Fund and the generosity of its funders, I clerked at one of the country's foremost civil rights organizations. My time there provided me with the hands-on legal training and professional connections I need to be an effective and strategic public interest attorney."

After graduating from law school Gutman says he hopes to pursue a career as a public interest attorney.

"I am specifically interested in challenging policies and practices that disproportionately affect the most vulnerable members of our society," he said.

The College of Law is asking other firms and individuals to support the Nebraska Public Interest Law Fund so it may help even more students with an interest in public service. For more information about giving, contact Molly Brummond at 402-472-8375.

Krantz's Gift Supports Student Internships in the Public Interest

Sheldon Krantz, '62, recently made a gift to the College's Nebraska Public Interest Law Fund, a fund dedicated to helping students pursue public interest internships. THE NEBRASKA TRANSCRIPT interviewed Krantz. Here is what he had to say about what led him to make this gift.

TRANSCRIPT: Tell us about yourself.

Krantz: I grew up in Omaha and, by the way, have been a life-long rabid Cornhusker football fan. My parents were immigrants from Eastern Europe with very limited education. They could not have been more pleased when I decided to go to law school.

I became interested in criminal justice after taking criminal law and criminal procedure courses and was, therefore, thrilled when I was offered a position upon graduation in the U.S. Department of Justice Honors Program. Upon arriving in Washington, D.C., I was assigned to work as a trial attorney in the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section and was sent to join a Strike Force in Miami, Fla. In just a few months, I began prosecuting cases in federal court.

It has been my good fortune over the years to be able to divide my time among different career opportunities. I largely began with stints in government – serving as a staff attorney for a presidential crime commission and as head of a state criminal justice agency along with being a federal prosecutor. I then moved into academic life – devoting over 20 years to being a law professor and law school dean, and then spent substantial time in private practice in two very different types of firms—Monsky, Grodinsky, Good & Cohen, a 10 person law firm in Omaha, for a brief period of time in an early stage of my career and DLA Piper, one of the world's largest firms, with over 4,000 lawyers.

I could not be happier with the opportunities I have had. While I have gotten great satisfaction in virtually all that



I have done, I have perhaps gotten greatest gratification from my pro bono work, particularly from what I have been able to do in founding and directing New Perimeter, the global pro bono affiliate of DLA Piper. New Perimeter has been providing pro bono services in developing and post-conflict countries all over the world.

TRANSCRIPT: We understand that you are very interested in access to justice issues. What sparked that interest?

Krantz: I was first drawn to law because of my feeling that lawyers had unique abilities to help people in crisis and to ensure that they are treated fairly. I was particularly taken in my formative years by reading about lawyers who spearheaded the landmark case of *Brown v. Board of Education*, about Clarence Darrow and his defense of unpopular persons and causes, and about Roscoe Pound, who served as a dean at Nebraska and Harvard law schools, and believed strongly in the commitment of lawyers to public service.

“The need for public interest lawyers has never been greater. There are more than 64 million people with unmet legal needs in this country, and many students, while concerned with law school and undergraduate loans, would like to get involved in public interest work.”

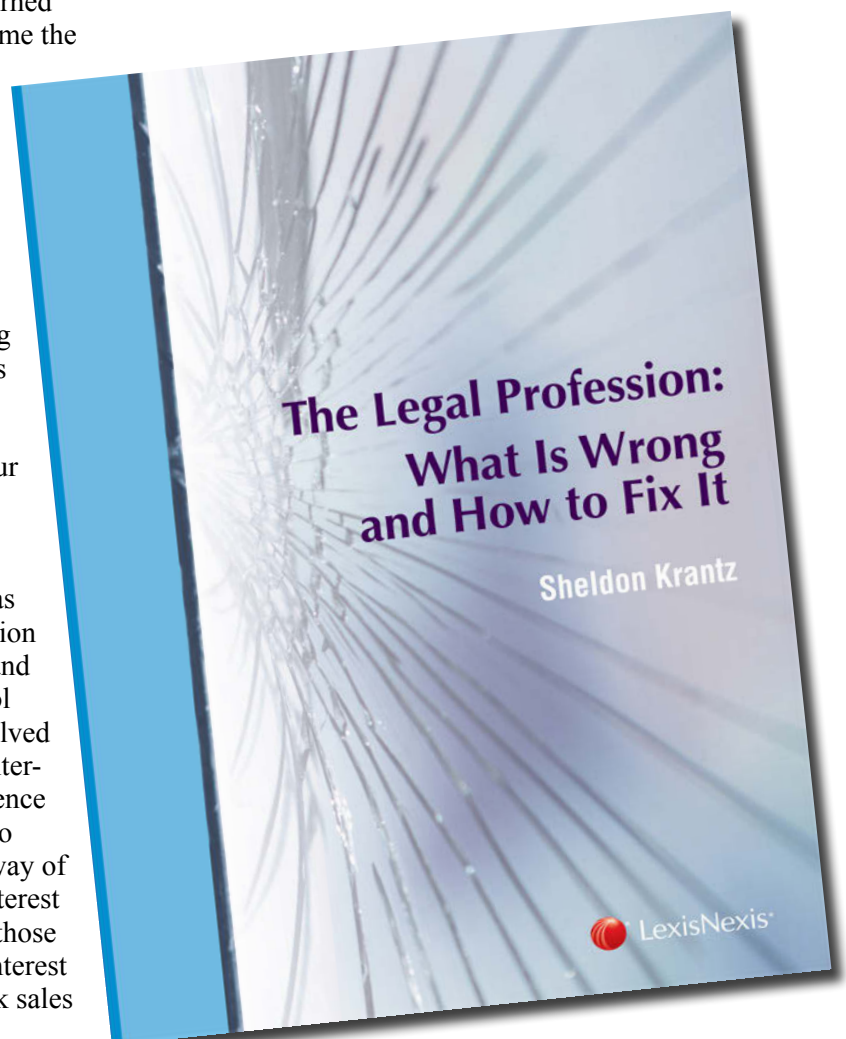
TRANSCRIPT: You recently wrote a book, and are donating the royalties from it to the Nebraska Public Interest Law Fund (NPILF.) Please provide an overview of the book.

Krantz: I decided to write *The Legal Profession: What is Wrong and How to Fix It* because I am concerned our legal profession must change if it is to become the noble calling it should be. I am concerned, for example, that there are more than one million lawyers in America, but most people with legal problems don’t have the means to hire one. It also troubles me that many law firms are failing to invest in the career development of their young lawyers and are not adjusting to the changing demands and needs of clients and to new forms of competition. My goal in writing the book was to set out an agenda of what needs to be done to address concerns like these.

TRANSCRIPT: Given your gifts to NPILF and your professional experiences, explain the value of public interest fellowships to students.

Krantz: The need for public interest lawyers has never been greater. There are more than 64 million people with unmet legal needs in this country, and many students, while concerned with law school and undergraduate loans, would like to get involved in public interest work. Unfortunately, public interest agencies have limited funds, and, in the absence of new forms of funding, they will not be able to hire students and lawyers to fill the need. One way of overcoming this problem is to expand public interest fellowships. Because it is vital that we support those who would like to become involved in public interest law, I decided to donate any royalties from book sales

to public interest fellowships. And because I gained so much from the College of Law and am impressed with what is being accomplished under Dean Susan Poser’s leadership, I decided to support the public interest fellowship program here. I hope others will add their support as well.



Pesek Honored by Nebraska Alumni Association as Early Achiever

By Katie Walter

Ross Pesek, '10, has had a big year. At the beginning of the year, Pesek started his own law firm, Pesek Law, LLC. In the middle, he was awarded an Early Achiever Award by the University of Nebraska Alumni Association and was honored in May when he was asked to give the commencement address for Central Community College. With a quarter remaining in 2014, it would not be surprising if Pesek filled it with more achievements.

Prior to starting his firm, Pesek was an associate attorney for Dornan, Lustgarten & Troia in Omaha. In that role, and now as a sole practitioner, he has dedicated himself to helping lessen the struggles of others and, in particular, immigrants.

Pesek's work with immigrant clients covers the gamut. He may simply help individuals understand the legal system, or he may help them legalize their statuses. Whatever the task, Pesek approaches it with the idea that every person deserves to have some basic rights. For his work in this field, Pesek was honored with the Nebraska State Bar Association's Outstanding Young Lawyer Award in October 2013. This was recognition of Pesek's leadership and hard work. For instance, he organized and runs a free legal clinic Monday nights in Our Lady Guadalupe Church, located in South Omaha. Through this effort, Pesek has consulted with over 650 people who would not otherwise have had access to counsel.

Recently, Pesek's passion to help immigrants succeed inspired him to create True Potential, a scholarship that awards five young immigrants full-tuition assistance to

attend college. Because immigrants are not eligible for federal assistance in terms of grants, Pesek wanted to try to even the playing field. The scholarships are comprised of donations made by the public. As someone who would not have been able to attend college without scholarships, providing others with similar opportunities is something that Pesek values. True Potential is part of a self-described "venture philanthropy non-profit organization."



Ross Pesek, '10, receives the Early Achiever Award from Nebraska Alumni Association Executive Director Diane Mendenhall.

Pesek began his higher education journey at Central Community College in Columbus. In May 2014, Pesek gave the commencement speech at his alma mater – giving back to the institution where he began the pursuit of his dream. In his commencement speech, he told the graduating class that they should “take pride today and forever that they are Central Community College graduates.” The College of Law alumnus takes pride that his path began there and continued on at the Law College. “I am an advocate for public education. Because I was able to avoid student debt, I am able to serve people and causes about which I am passionate. I take pride in that.”

Juvenile Judge Vernon Daniels: Judge, Mentor, Teacher, Friend

Vernon Daniels, '83, judge of the Separate Juvenile Court for Douglas County, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the College of Law Alumni Council at a lunch held on April 11, 2014. He was recognized for his commitment to diversity in the practice of law and for his willingness to be a mentor to many in various stages of their legal careers.

"I never thought I was on the radar to receive a recognition like this. I am very honored and grateful," said Daniels. It came as no surprise, however, to those who were aware of how frequently Daniels has reached out to young and aspiring lawyers, especially to those who add diversity to the profession. "I enjoy mentoring; it's a teaching experience for me," Daniels acknowledged.

Daniels served as a mentor at the Pre-Law Institutes that were run by the Law College in the 2000s with a grant from the Law School Admissions Council. The Institutes targeted students who were traditionally underrepresented at the College of Law and within the legal profession in Nebraska. But his work with the Institutes' students did not end when the Institutes were over. He hired some of them to work with him at the juvenile court during the summers and paid them from his own funds. "I wanted them to have practical experience before they entered law school," he explained. Daniels still keeps in contact with many of his mentees from the Institute as they enter law school and begin their careers. He also participates in the undergraduate mentoring program run by the Frayser Stryker law firm.

Daniels is such an effective mentor because he remembers what the law school experience is like and what it feels like to be a neophyte attorney. "I have not forgotten those experiences," he said, "panicking about the LSAT, panicking about what schools to apply to and whether you are going to be accepted, wondering on the first day of law school whether you were up to snuff, worrying about what you're



going to do when you graduate, worrying about the bar examination, worrying as an attorney about what kind of document you should file and how you should interview your client. If you are not careful, those concerns can rob you of enjoying your undergraduate and law school experiences and your life as a lawyer."

He remembers how at the Law College, "I was panicked every single day that I walked in the doors; every single day." It would have helped, he added, if he had had more life experience before he started law school so he would have an easier time "figuring out what was going on."

Daniels remembers, too, the help he received along the way. A sponsor of his fraternity at Doane College, where Daniels received his bachelors and masters degrees in political science, put him in touch with Doane and Nebraska Law graduate Chuck Palleson, '62, who provided him with very helpful advice. Between undergraduate and graduate school, he received an LBJ Scholarship, which allowed him to work as an intern to Congressman John Cavanaugh.

Despite the panic he felt, he found the Law College to be a helpful environment. “I really appreciated the personal attention that you got from the professors when you needed it, and that personal attention began before I entered.” While he was in the application process, he received an evening phone call at his dorm from the associate dean explaining that the reason he hadn’t heard anything about his application was because a glitch with the LSAT had delayed the results and that he shouldn’t panic about his admission chances. “I will never forget that,” he said. He was also appreciative of how Professors Alan Frank and John Gradwohl and their families embraced the minority students and provided “a very supportive environment” for them.

He is grateful, too, for his study group composed of four women, all of whom had been out of school for a number of years and had families. “They kept me balanced and explained what was going on in the real world,” Daniels recalled.

When Omaha Legal Aid began representing parents in juvenile court who had been charged with abuse and neglect of their children, Daniels was chosen to head that unit on a temporary basis for six months; it turned out to be for about four years. When he later joined the Douglas County Attorney’s Office, he was asked to head the juvenile division, which he did until he was appointed to the court by Gov. Mike Johanns in 2001.

Daniels’ interest in the law was sparked by his commitment to public service and his interest in processes, procedures and rules. As a juvenile court judge, he could pursue both. “I truly enjoy the work, I really like trial work and I savor the legal gymnastics,” Daniels said. “What I really enjoy is the problem solving, the fixing of a solution. It’s hard for me to accept that something cannot be fixed, that somehow you cannot get around the problems using the law and good old-fashioned common sense.”

Daniels is such an effective mentor because he remembers what the law school experience is like and what it feels like to be a neophyte attorney. “I have not forgotten those experiences.”

After his graduation, when Daniels was ready to enter the “real world,” he received a Reginald Heber Smith Fellowship to work as a community organizer in Kansas City. The grant was renewed for a second year to allow him to work for the Legal Aid Society in Omaha, his hometown, which, he said, “I never thought I would leave.”

At the end of the fellowship, Daniels continued to work for Legal Aid where he handled a variety of matters but primarily consumer protection and disability law. His first encounter with juvenile court involved a divorce matter. “I said to myself that if I ever get through this case, I will never set foot back in juvenile court again,” he recalled. But, of course, he did.

It follows, then, that what he enjoys the most about his work are those cases that end in a successful reunification of a family. In those cases, Daniels applies what he calls his “equal dignity rule.” He explained, “If we took time at the beginning of the case to lay out faults and bad habits, at the end, when the situation is totally turned around and rehabilitation has been achieved, we need to take the same amount of time to identify it for the record.”

Of course, Daniels also enjoys adoptions, but adds that sometimes they can be “bittersweet” because it often means that in an abuse or neglect situation “someone didn’t make it to the finish line. It breaks my heart that with all resources we have available to us that any family should fail.” It is also hard to see cases where “sibling strips” are lost; where



Judge Daniels, Rebekah Caruthers, '07 and Daniel Dawes, '06.

siblings are not adopted by the same family. "It's really difficult separating these kids."

The kids lie at the heart of what Daniels does. "I bring them into court because I want them to know who it is who is responsible for making decisions because sometimes in abuse and neglect cases they are so angry and don't understand why unification hasn't occurred. Especially in cases in which parental rights have been terminated, I tell them that I'm sorry if no one else in this entire process has ever apologized to you for the situation that you're in. I'm going to do it now. In the best world, in the best of circumstances, this should not be; you should be going home. But while you are with us, you are our responsibility, and we accept that responsibility willingly and not grudgingly."

While he also tells them that they are not just another file to him and that he is not going to rubber stamp what someone has told him, Daniels knows that is not enough. "They are going to test you, they want to see how much time you devote to their case, and they are going to make that determination for themselves."

Daniels devotes the same care to the adjudications he makes. At times, he'll wake up in the middle of the night and think again about a decision that he made and perhaps

look at it in a different way. "I hope that I never get to the point," he said, "that pride prevents me from admitting that I made the wrong decision and from fixing it."

While he sometimes he imagines that the people who come before him think that he has "a tail and horns," he has been a judge long enough to sometimes be the beneficiary of their gratitude. He has been asked to officiate at their weddings and to go to their high school graduations.

Others, too, benefit from Daniels knowledge and experience. Recently he has taught Juvenile Offender Law at Creighton University Law School. "That has given me an opportunity to really talk about the philosophical underpinning of the juvenile court and go back and look at those cases once again that form the basis for the court's jurisdiction," he explained. "I probably spend as much time studying for class as I did when I was a student, and I still have the same anxiety just before class."

Daniels has made his mark as a judge, mentor, teacher and friend. "I am probably one of the luckiest dudes you'll ever meet," he said. "I am content because I have found my niche."

No Cost CLE

The College of Law's No Cost CLE program expanded its reach in 2013-2014 with events offered in North Platte, Omaha, Columbus and Norfolk. Professor Rick Dooling presented an ethics program to North Platte area alumni in October 2013, and Associate Dean and Professor Richard Moberly gave a talk on Edward Snowden and national security leaks to alumni in Omaha, Columbus and Norfolk in April and May 2014. Similar CLE programs will be available to alumni across the state during the 2014-2015 academic year. They will feature Professor Colleen Medill presenting on the Affordable Care Act.

More information is available at law.unl.edu.



AlumNotes

1940s

Dean Kratz, '49, has received the Nebraska State Bar Foundation's highest honor, the Foundation Award, which honors exemplary service to the foundation and is presented to those lawyers who have made and who continue to make a strong commitment to the goals of the foundation. Kratz is a senior partner at McGrath North Mullin & Kratz in Omaha and has practiced law for more than 60 years. During this time, he has concentrated his practice on labor disputes, collective bargaining agreements, OSHA complaints, EEOC complaints and other employment matters. Kratz has served as assistant attorney general for Nebraska and as judge and chief judge of the Court of Industrial Relations. He has served as president and fellow of the Nebraska State Bar Foundation, in addition to being a member of the executive counsel for the Nebraska State Bar Association. He is listed in *Great Plains Super Lawyers* and has been included in *Best Lawyers in America* since its inception more than 30 years ago. Kratz has authored and published three books and has tried a dozen cases before the Nebraska Supreme Court.



1950s

Richard A. Knudsen, '50, has been elected an honorary trustee of the board of trustees of the Cooper Foundation in recognition of his long and valuable service. Knudsen retired from the practice of law in 1994 after a 40 year career.

Theodore C. Sorensen, '51, the late advisor and speechwriter for President John F. Kennedy, is quoted on the Nebraska value of optimism on the Lincoln Bridge that leads pedestrians to the Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln.

Duane Acklie, '55, has been recognized by the University of Nebraska Medical Center with the UNMC Chancellor's Distinguished Service Award. The award was presented at UNMC's commencement ceremony at the Ralston Arena. The Distinguished Service Award is given to individuals or organizations that have demonstrated outstanding support for UNMC by way of personal service, private contributions or other meritorious advocacy for the campus mission. Acklie was among the honorary co-chairs of the general fundraising campaign for what would become the UNMC College of Nursing Northern Division. He also served on the board of directors for the Nebraska Medical Center. The Acklie Charitable Foundation is a founding benefactor of the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center. Acklie served as an attorney for Crete Carrier Corp. in 1966 when it was incorporated in Crete. He and his wife, Phyllis, purchased the company in 1971, and he served as president and CEO from 1971 to 1991 and as Crete Carrier's chairman of the board since 1991.



Deryl F. Hamann, '58, and his wife, Ramona, were honored with the Humanitarian Award at the 59th Annual Inclusive Communities Humanitarian Dinner at the Embassy Suites-La Vista. The Humanitarian Award is presented to individuals and/or couples for their outstanding service, contributions of time, efforts and financial resources to the community and dedication to the goals, values and mission of Inclusive

Communities. Hamann is a member of the corporate and tax sections of Baird Holm in Omaha. Hamann is currently a director of Bellevue University and the Bellevue University Foundation.

1960s

John Wightman, '63, is retiring from the Nebraska Legislature due to term limits.

1970s

J. Patrick McArdle, '72, retired as judge of the County Court for the First Judicial District on July 31, 2014, after more than 31 years on the bench. He has spent a good portion of his career promoting the use of mediation within the court system and supporting the just treatment of the elderly and vulnerable in Nebraska guardianship and conservatorship cases. Prior to joining the court, McArdle practiced law in Crete and Wilber.



Dennis Keefe, '73, retiring Lancaster County public defender, was presented the Roger Baldwin Civil Libertarian of the Year Award by the American Civil Liberties Union of Nebraska.

Michael J. Tavlin, '73, chief financial officer for Speedway Motors, has been elected to the board of trustees of the Sheldon Art Association.

Dennis G. Carlson, '74, has retired as counsel for discipline of the Nebraska Supreme Court, a position he has held since 1981. Carlson began his career in the Office of Public Defender in Lancaster County.

James H. Truell, '74, of Truell Murray & Associates in Grand Island, was the 2014 Robert M. Spire Pro Bono Award winner. The award was presented at the Nebraska Lawyers Foundation Barrister's Ball.

Dennis Graham, '75, received the Judicial Excellence Award from the Denver, Colo., Bar Association. Judge Graham was appointed to the Colorado Court of Appeals in 2002. He is chairman of the Colorado Judicial Ethics Advisory Board and of the Judicial Personnel Board.

Fred Greguras, '75, has joined the Royse Law Firm in Palo Alto, Calif. Greguras is a domestic and international business attorney serving clients from the startup through public company stages. His clients include software, clean tech, semiconductor and medical device companies. He has substantial experience representing companies with a market focus on operations in China, Vietnam and India, and in serving investors and businesses from those countries. Previously, Greguras was a partner at K&L Gates and Fenwick & West in Silicon Valley, and Kutak Rock in Omaha.



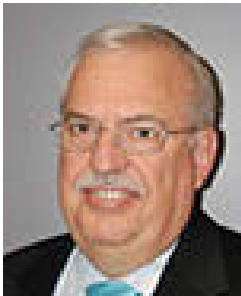
Michael G. Heavican, '75, has been honored by the Schuyler Community Schools Foundation with the first annual Distinguished Alumni Award. Heavican was appointed as the chief justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court in 2006. Prior to his Supreme Court appointment, he served as a federal and state prosecutor. In 1991, he became an assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Nebraska.



Robert Nefsky, '77, a partner with the Rembolt Ludtke law firm in Lincoln, received from Humanities Nebraska the 2014 Sower Award in the Humanities. The Sower Award is presented annually to "an individual, institution, business or community that made a significant contribution to public understanding of the humanities in Nebraska." During the late nineties, Nefsky was part of a core group of community leaders who worked with the Nebraska Legislature to create a private-public partnership to support the programs and practices of Humanities Nebraska and the Nebraska Arts Council. Subsequently, Nefsky was instrumental in organizing

the Nebraska Cultural Endowment and was a founding member of its board of directors. He has also served on the boards of the Nebraska Humanities Council and the Nebraska Foundation for the Humanities.

Fred Yanney, '77, has opened the Yanney Law Firm in Cerritos, Calif., where he continues to represent electric and water utilities. He formerly was with Fulbright & Jaworski in Los Angeles.



John Albin, '79, has been named as acting commissioner of labor by Gov. Dave Heineman for the Nebraska Department of Labor (DOL). Albin has been with the DOL for more than 24 years, having begun as an administrative law judge in 1990. He joined the department's Legal Division in 1993 and became general counsel in 2000.

Jim Titus, '79, of Morris & Titus Law Firm in Lincoln, has joined Affirmative Dispute Resolution's neutral roster through which he will assist with arbitration and mediation in Nebraska

1980s

Terry Uhling, '80, has been named a partner at Marten Law Firm, an environmental and energy law firm with offices located in Washington, Oregon, California and Idaho. Uhling works closely with the firm and its clients in all offices on strategic and complex matters across the spectrum of issues that affect agribusiness, mining, water, and other natural resources rights, permitting, and legal and business strategies. He is formerly senior vice president, general counsel and secretary of the Boise, Idaho-headquartered J.R. Simplot Company, where he remains on the board of directors.



Don Kahl, '82, has retired as executive director of the Equal Rights Center in Washington, D.C. He is living in Cary, N.C., where he consults with businesses on diversity and equal opportunity issues.

Patricia J. Falk, '83, has published "Because Ladies Lie": Eliminating Vestiges of the Corroboration and Resistance Requirement from Ohio's Sexual Offences," 62 *Cleveland State Law Review* 343. Falk is the Charles R. Emrick, Jr.- Calfee, Halter & Griswold Endowed Professor of Law at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law at Cleveland State University.

Catherine Lang, '83, is the vice president of Accelerate Nebraska, a new organization formed to connect educators and business people for better careers and stronger communities. It is headquartered in Omaha. Lang resigned from her position as economic development director and state labor commissioner for the State of Nebraska after nearly 30 years of service.

Bryon Slone, '83, has taken an of counsel position with the Koley Jessen law firm in Omaha where he leads the firm's tax practice group and conducts a government affairs practice. Slone has also joined the College of Business Administration at UNL as the first executive in residence in the School of Accountancy.

Bill Ojile, '85, who co-authored "Managing the Court of Public Opinion during a Media Crisis" for the July/August edition of *ACC Docket*, saw his article receive the 2014 Feature Writing Award of Excellence by APEX and a 2014 Communicator Feature Writing Award of Distinction by the Communicator Awards. Ojile is senior vice president and chief legal officer for Colorado-based Alta Colleges, Inc.

Susan Spahn, '87, has joined Walentine, O'Toole, McQuillan & Gordon in Omaha. Her practice focuses primarily in estate administration, taxation and estate planning.

Constance Endelicato, '88, has joined Wood, Smith, Henning & Berman in its Los Angeles, Calif., office as a partner leading the medical malpractice and health care groups.

Melanie Whittamore-Mantzios, '88, was elected president of Lincoln Rotary #14. She is a partner with Wolf Snowden.

Anne M. Breitkreutz, '89, has joined the Omaha law firm Dornan, Lustgarten & Trola as a partner. She practices family law, as well as estate planning, probate and general corporate law. Breitkreutz is co-chair of the Nebraska Academy of Collaborative Professionals and a trained mediator.

John Gessert, '89, has been named vice president and senior trust officer with Union Bank & Trust Co. Gessert serves as a senior relationship manager, assisting clients with all aspects of trust and estate administration. He is a Cannon Financial certified wealth strategist. Gessert was also elected treasurer of Lincoln Rotary #14.



David Wilwerding, '89, has been promoted to vice president, general counsel at AG Processing, Inc. (AGP), in Omaha. AGP is a cooperatively-owned agribusiness engaged in procuring, processing, marketing and transporting of oilseeds, grains and related products. Wilwerding joined AGP in 1999 as corporate attorney and was named corporate counsel in 2006. In 2008, he was promoted to his most recent position as senior corporate counsel.

1990s

Linda Crump, '90, received the Richard S. Arnold Award for Distinguished Service and Lifetime Achievement from the Eighth Circuit Bar Association during the Eighth Circuit Judicial Conference. Crump is emeritus assistant to the chancellor for equity, access and diversity programs at UNL.

Kyle Hanson, '90, has been appointed vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary for the Buckle, a Kearney-based retailer.

David M. Hohman, '92, has joined Fitzgerald Schorr Law Firm in Omaha. He practices in the areas of corporate and business law, mergers and acquisitions, business start-ups and real estate law.



Frank Novak, '93, has been appointed executive director of the Huntley, Ill., Area Public Library. Novak, who has a library science degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, had led the Rockford, Ill., Public Library since 2005.

John Rademacher, '93, has been appointed by Gov. Dave Heineman to the County Court, Ninth Judicial District, consisting of Buffalo and Hall counties. Rademacher has been an attorney and partner at the Law Office of Tye & Rademacher in Kearney. From 1996-2005, he served as deputy public defender at the Buffalo County Public Defender's Office.

Rachel Daugherty, '95, has been appointed by Gov. Dave Heineman as judge of the Fifth Circuit District Court, consisting of Boone, Butler, Colfax, Hamilton, Merrick, Nance, Platte, Polk, Saunders, Seward and York counties. She previously was an attorney and shareholder in the Grand Island law office of Myers & Daugherty.

Melissa Johnson-Wiles, '95, was elected vice president of the Lincoln Bar Association. She is a Nebraska assistant attorney general.

Jeffery Kirkpatrick, '97, has been named city attorney for Lincoln by Mayor Chris Beutler. Kirkpatrick joined the city attorney's office staff in 2010 after 12 years in private practice. He heads the city's law department, which represents Lincoln in lawsuits and provides legal advice and research for the mayor and city agencies.



Matthew Kosmicki, '99, has been elected treasurer of the Lincoln Bar Association. He is with Brennan & Nielsen Law Offices.

David Partsch, '99, Otoe County attorney and city

attorney for Nebraska City, was featured as part of “Getting to Know Your Nebraska City Leaders” series in the *Nebraska City News-Press* for his work serving on Fund Advisory Committee of the Nebraska City Foundation Fund.

Pete Pirsch, '97, is retiring from the Nebraska Legislature due to term limits.

Shayla Reed, '99, of Reed Law Offices in Omaha, was featured in an article in *Women's Edition* in Omaha.

2000s

Adam Kirshenbaum, '00, has joined Baird Holm in Omaha. His practice focuses on corporate, real estate and lending transactions. Kirshenbaum is a past recipient of *Midlands Business Journal's* 40 Award, and previously was general counsel at Millard Refrigerated Services.

Mike Flood, '01, has been honored with the J.G. Elliott Award by the University of Nebraska Medical Center for his leadership and vision in the planning and campaign to establish a UNMC College of Nursing division in Norfolk. A former state senator and speaker of the Unicameral, Flood turned to UNMC and the University of Nebraska in 2006 to address the growing demand for acute care in northeast Nebraska, which had fewer registered nurses and nurses with bachelor's and master's degrees than any other region in the state. He worked extensively on the project, both within the Legislature and as a community leader. A public-private coalition came together, raising more than \$11.9 million to make the UNMC College of Nursing Northern Division a reality on the campus of Northeast Community College.

Scott M. Vogt, '01, has been appointed regional general counsel and vice president for CBSHome Real Estate, HomeServices of Nebraska and Nebraska Land Title and Abstract. Vogt directs and supports the business activities of the companies with respect to agency, real estate, contracts, intellectual property, title insurance, mortgage law and other legal matters. Vogt was previously senior counsel and vice president at Fidelity National Title Group and was managing partner at the Lincoln law firm Hoppe, Vogt & Barrows.

Danielle Conrad, '03, has been named director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Nebraska beginning in November upon the completion of her second term as a senator in the Nebraska Legislature



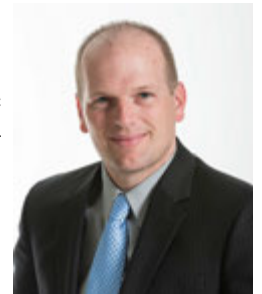
Sonya K. Koperski, '03, has opened Koperski Law Office in Grand Island. Koperski is a general practice attorney whose areas include real estate, estate planning, probate, business planning, water law, civil litigation, workers compensation and family law.

Michelle M. Mitchell, '03, of the Mitchell Law Office in Lincoln, was presented a Visionary Award at the Nebraska Lawyers Foundation 2014 Barristers' Ball for her effort and support of the Volunteer Lawyers Project.

Zach Peterson, '03, and his wife Katie welcomed daughter Virginia Jane on July 2, 2014. Virginia weighed 5 lbs., 15 oz., and was 19" long.

Clinton J. Guthrie, '04, was named assistant director of the SRO Law Project at the Goddard Riverside Community Center in New York, N.Y. His work primarily involves representation of low-income residential tenants in Manhattan and supervision of staff attorneys.

David W. Rasmussen, '04, has joined the Lincoln law firm Harding & Schultz. His areas of practice focus on corporate law, contract negotiation and drafting, commercial and residential real estate, business transactions and estate planning.



Ryan D. Caldwell, '05, an alumnus of the Theta Kappa Chapter of Delta Tau Delta at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, has been presented with the Bill Fraering Award. The award is presented to young alumni, those who are no more than 15 years beyond their undergraduate days, for exemplary service to Delta Tau Delta. Caldwell is with Caldwell Law in Lincoln and Omaha.

Andrew Kafka, '05, has been elected president of the Lincoln Parks Foundation. Kafka is vice president and trust officer at Union Bank and Trust.

Jason Caskey, '06, and his wife Kirsten Holm-Caskey welcomed a son on June 16, 2014. He weighed 9 lbs., 13 oz., and was 21" long.



Travis Allan Spier, '07, has been named partner with Atwood, Holsten, Brown & Deaver Law Firm in Lincoln. Spier has been with the firm since 2005 and his practice is focused on litigation, mediation and settlement of

workers' compensation, personal injury and wrongful death cases.

Kristi Busse, '08, and Adam Kuester were married on August 9, 2014, in Okoboji, Iowa. Busse is employed as the assistant county attorney for Clay County in Spencer, Iowa.



Timothy Matas, '08, and his wife Tracy welcomed daughter Madeline Marie Matas on December 4, 2013.

Lisa Morinelli, '08, and Kenneth Hittel were married on October 5, 2013, at the Decatur House in Washington, D.C. Morinelli is a trial attorney with Department of Justice in Washington, D.C.

Kelli J. Watson, '08, has joined the law firm of Fitzgerald Schorr in Omaha. Her practice is concentrated in the areas of estate planning and administration, guardianships and conservatorships, business planning and real estate, as well as representing trustees and personal representatives.



Angela Jensen-Blackford, '09, and her husband Brian welcomed daughter Aurora Lois Jensen Blackford on January 2, 2014.

Brianne Rohner, '09, and Lance Erickson were married on July 19, 2014, at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln. Rohner is an attorney at Rehn, Bennett & Moore Law Firm in Lincoln.

2010s

Artiom Anisimov, LL.M. '10, has joined Dauria Aerospace, a private international space company with offices in the U.S., Germany and Russia, where he serves as a personal assistant to the CEO in the U.S. and ensures compliance of the company's activities with the international and the U.S. space laws and regulations.

Tyler Bartruff, '10, has been promoted to manager with Luta, an Omaha-based accounting and business solutions firm.

Bethany Behrens, '10, has been elected secretary of the Lincoln Bar Association. She is with the Lancaster County Attorney's Office.

Ross R. Pesek, '10, received the 2014 Outstanding Alumni Award during commencement activities at Central Community College-Columbus. See the article on page 44 of this edition of *THE NEBRASKA TRANSCRIPT*.

Thomas R. Grover, '11, has been selected as general counsel for the Nevada Republican Party.

John Jasnoch, '11, and Jennifer Waldron, were married on March 28, 2014, in San Diego, Calif. at the historic El Cortez in the



downtown area. Jasnoch is an attorney with Scott & Scott in San Diego. His practice areas include securities and antitrust class actions, shareholder derivative actions and other complex litigation.



Todd Jeffers, '11, has joined the firm of Brouillette, Dugan & Troshynski in North Platte.

Elsbeth Magilton, '11, was recently featured in the *Midland Business*

Journal's Business Minute, which features an interesting businessman or woman by nomination only. Magilton is the executive director of the Space, Cyber and Telecommunications Law Program at the College of Law.



Elizabeth (Freshman) McClelland, '11, is a real estate agent with the Good Life Group at NP Dodge Real Estate in Omaha.

Thomas Niklitschek, '11, has opened Thomas Niklitschek Law Office, which serves Omaha's Latino community. Known as "el Abogado Tomás" (Lawyer Tomas), his firm offers a wide range of services, including criminal defense, personal injury and family law, as well as immigration law.

Bobby Truhe, '11, and **Christine Truhe, '12**, welcomed daughter Sophie Elizabeth on August 21, 2014. She weighed in at 7 lbs., 9 oz.

Zach Butz, '12, and Chelsey Manhart were married in May 2014 in Santa Monica, Calif. Butz is currently employed at a talent agency in Los Angeles.

Lee Greenwald, '12, and Farah Falhah were married on June 14, 2014, at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln. Greenwald is an attorney with Greenwall Bruner Frank in Kearney.



Sam Padilla, '12, has been appointed as export compliance officer at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.



Brandi Yosten, '12, has joined Jarecki Law in Albion, Neb.

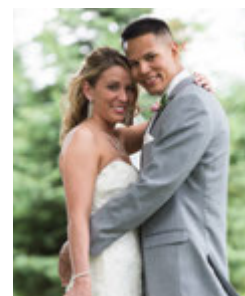
Maria-Vittoria "Giugi" Carminati, LL.M. '13, is teaching Commercial Space Industry at the University of Houston Law Center.

Joel Fulton, '13, is a post-grad judicial intern for Judge Christopher Munch at Colorado First Judicial District Court in Golden, Colo.

Caitlyn James, '13, married Scott Peterson on August 2, 2014. She is a trust administrator at Heartland Bank in Geneva.

Patrick J. Krebs, '13, has joined the Omaha office of Kutak Rock as an associate practicing in the firm's real estate group.

April Marty, '13, and Collin Lewis were married on May 31, 2014, at Christ Lutheran Church in Columbus. Marty practices law at Sam Turco Law Office in Omaha.



Dennis J. Schmitt, LL.M. '13, has published "The Computer Fraud and Abuse Act Should Not Apply to the Misuse of Information Accessed with Permission," 47 *Creighton Law Review* 423. Schmitt is a partner with the Omaha law firm Lamson, Dugan & Murray.



Brock Smith, '13, has been appointed the associate director of development for the University of Nebraska Newman Center and St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

Emily Tunink, '14, and Derrick Blomstedt were married on June 7, 2014, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ashland. She is an attorney with Fraser Stryker in Omaha.

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In Memoriam

1940s

Lauren D. “Bud” Lampert, ’42, died on July 1, 2014, in Springfield, Va., at the age of 96. An ROTC member as an undergraduate at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, he was commissioned 2nd lieutenant, Field Artillery, in the U.S. Army. As a U.S. Army artillery officer, he served as captain and battery commander during World War II. A veteran of the North African, Sicilian and Italian campaigns, Lampert was awarded a Purple Heart for wounds received in Sicily, the Silver Star for gallantry in action at Sardinia, and a campaign ribbon signifying participation in invasions of Algeria, French Morocco, Sicily and Italy. He left active service as captain in 1945 but continued his service in the Army Reserves, retiring as a lieutenant colonel. He was licensed as a certified public accountant in 1948 and began a 33 year civil service career as an IRS treasury agent in Scottsbluff. He also worked in private industry as a public accountant and tax counsel in Salt Lake City, Utah, and Idaho Falls, Idaho. He then returned to civil service in Panama, where he retired in 1977 from the Department of Defense, Defense Contract Administration Service Headquarters in Alexandria, Va.

Charles W. Baskins, ’49, passed away on May 8, 2014, in North Platte at the age of 93. He served with Coast Guard during World War II. After graduating from the Law College, he joined his father in the practice of law. Baskins’ legal career spanned more than 50 years. In 1958, while serving as city attorney for North Platte, Baskins was elected president of the Western Nebraska Bar Association. He served as president of the Lincoln County Bar Association; as the attorney for the Village of Hershey; as the director of Chamber of Commerce; and as the director of McDonald State Bank, the United Nebraska Bank and Hershey State Bank. He received the 1993 Award of Special Merit from the Nebraska State Bar Association for his 33 years of service on the Nebraska State Bar Commission.

1950s

Francis J. Roubicek, ’54, passed away in Creighton on February 25, 2014, at the age of 83. He had a general practice, including agriculture law, in Creighton.

1960s

Jon F. Luebs, ’64, passed away on April 2, 2014, in Georgetown, Texas. He was 74 years old. Luebs practiced law for one year in his father’s law firm before he began his career in banking in Grand Island, first with Overland National Bank and then with Five Points Bank.

James A. Beltzer, ’69, died on July 25, 2014, in Silverthorne, Colo. He was 70 years old. As an undergraduate at UNL, he was a multiple letterman in track, holding the UNL shot put record for a number of years. For more than 20 years he was a partner at the Grand Island law firm now known as Leininger, Smith, Johnson, Baack, Placzek & Allen. He then moved to San Francisco where he was trial counsel for a boutique law firm. After a period of retirement, Beltzer opened a practice in Silverthorne. During his legal career, he was inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers, the American Board of Trial Advocates and the International Society of Barristers.

1970s

Steven T. Swihart, ’72, passed away on July 9, 2014, in Aurora, Colo. He was 71 years old. Swihart served in the U.S. Army from 1966 to 1969. He practiced law from 1972 to 1988, and from 1988 to 2004 served as an administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration in Denver before retiring.

Annual Report on Giving

The Report on Giving recognizes all donors who made gifts to the College of Law during the 2013-2014 fiscal year that spans between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014. Any gift recorded before July 1, 2013 was part of the previous year's totals; any gifts recorded after June 30, 2014 will be recognized in next year's report. We are pleased to report that during the 2013-2014 fiscal year, the College of Law received \$139,148.00 in gifts to the annual fund.

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Deryl F. Hamann
Claire D. Johnson
Norman M. Krivosha
J. Clark Noble
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Norman Veitzer
Richard L. Valentine
Charles E. Wright

1959

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Richard M. Fellman
Norma J. Jensen
Theodore L. Kessner
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1960

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1961

Parker L. Shipley

1962

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Gordon M. Hull
Sheldon Krantz
Harold I. Mosher
Richard M. Tempero
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1963

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Robert T. Grimit
Harold E. Hoff
Ronald D. Svoboda
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Clayton K. Yeutter

1964

Duane A. Burns
Jeff P. Chevront
Bruce B. Graves
Jon F. Luebs
Robert M. O'Gara
Richard C. Schmoker
Morris L. Sinor
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Dennis A. Winkle

1965

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Dean N. Hansen
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John E. Musselman

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1966

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Gary J. Brouillette
Hal J. Daub
Thomas J. Fitchett
Gary A. Greinke
Con M. Keating
Lyman L. Larsen
Robert S. Lingo
A. James McArthur
Harvey Perlman
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1967

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Matthew A. Schumacher
Nancy J. Stara

1968

Michael D. Engel
William B. Fenton
Ralph J. Fischer
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Kent E. Person
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1969

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Kenneth C. Stephan
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Graten D. Beavers
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Kirk S. Blecha
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William G. Dittrick
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Arthur R. Langvardt
Marvin A. Liszt
C. Vincent Phelps
Julie L. Pokorny
Donald E. Rowlands
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Matthew H. Williams

1975

Charles K. Baker
Penny J. Berger
Kathryn G. Braeman
Roberta L. Cook
Mary L. Doyle
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James G. Egley
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Lauren J. Caster
Gene Crump
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Robert M. Wagner
Stewart H. Walker

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Schroff
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Terrill A. Hyde
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1980

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1981

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Peter J. Longo
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1984

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Betty J. Gesell
Scott L. Gesell
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Paul M. Kippley
Janet L. Krotter Chvala
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Jill Schroeder

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Frank L. Labrador
Michael D. Munro
Lawrence M. Zavadil

1988

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Eric M. Johnson
Jeffrey A. Nix
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Elizabeth K. Ryan
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Abbie J. Widger

1989

Cathleen H. Allen
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David R. Denton
Mary M. Elliston
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Robert J. Parker
Marybeth Ruskamp

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Linda R. Crump
Eric L. Dillow
Patrick D. Dodson
Kathryn J. Geiler
Angela K. Hallier
Eartha J. Johnson
Robert A. Monniere
Anthony L. Young
John H. Zelenka

1991

Dorothy C. Anderson
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David W. Chang
Robert L. Eden
Bridget J. Esch
Kenneth D. Esch
Scott K. McCarthy
Randall J. Moody
Pamela B. Peck
Andrew J. Wilson

1992

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SaraBeth Donovan

Ralph A. Froehlich
DaNay A. Kalkowski
Andrew S. Pollock

1993

Sharon L. Bartter
John H. Bergmeyer
Sarah J. Brashears
Michael R. Contarino
Patrick R. Guinan
Gregory R. Johnson
Elizabeth R. Kosier
Thomas S. Kruml
Darin L. Mackender
Laurie A. Meyers
Richard B. Murphy
Melanie S. Rose
John S. Slaba
Patrick J. Straka
Steven M. Thomas
Elizabeth A. Varley
Thomas E. Winner

1994

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Kelly T. Shattuck

1995

Kristine D. Brenneis
William R. Head
Barbara A. Romo
Judy R. Scdoris
Heidi H. Scherr
Robby J. Shortridge
James C. Ziter

1996

Chad W. Buckendahl
Timothy K. Dolan
Tamara S. Herrera
William R. Jeppson
Kevin T. Lytle
Colleen P. Manly

Michael P. Manly
Lori M. Reilly
Nicole B. Theophilus
Daniel Torrens

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Eric B. Brown
Elizabeth L. Hocking
Jeffery R. Kirkpatrick
Steven L. Meints
Nilesh S. Patel
Thomas L. Selken
Corey L. Stull
Jeanette L. Stull

1998

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Derrick J. Hahn
Octavia Y. Hathaway
Sarah N. Patel
Shengjin Yang

1999

George E. Martin
Marc W. Pearce
Suzanne M. Rodekohr
Jill E. Thomsen

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Manqi Han

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Ryan B. Wilhelm

2002

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James A. Hempel
Tracy L. Jamison
Karen A. Mangan
Jessica C. Sidders
Gretchen R. Twohig
Christine E. Vanderford
Brent A. Wolzen

2003

Janette L. Adair
Aliza Anvari
Matt C. Ashmore
Molly M. Brummond
Jeremy P. Lavene
Kendra J. Ringenberg
Scot M. Ringenberg
Amy A. Roberts
Anthony B. Schutz
James A. Warren
Tracy L. Warren
Andrew P. Wiese

2004

Darla J. Johnson

2005

David V. Chipman
Sean M. Gleason
Natalie M. Mackiel
Stephanie A. Mattoon
Hankins

Justin H. Oberst
Alisa M. Rosales
John L. Selzer
Tara A. Stingley
Katie A. Welsch

2006

Jameson C. Brummond
Eric R. Chandler
Daniel E. Dawes
Jennifer R. Deitloff
Stacey L. Hines
Damon J. Kruger
Christopher D. Seifert

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Jason W. Grams
Heidi M. Hayes
Todd J. Hinkins
Ramzi J. Hynek
Ann J. McGill
Matthew G. McGill
Nicole K. Seckman Jilek

2008

Erin L. Ebeler
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Daniel J. Honz
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Jonathan D. Urbom

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Kylee M. Pohl
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2010

Cameron J. Arch
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7:30 a.m., Delice European Bakery & Café

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Alumni Lunch at the Nebraska State Bar
Association Meeting (12 p.m.)

October 28
North Platte Area Alumni CLE & Lunch
(11:30 a.m.)
Kearney Area Alumni Cocktail Reception
(4:30 p.m.)

November 2014

November 6
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November 13
Dallas Area Alumni Event, 5:30 p.m.,
The Dallas Petroleum Club

December 2014

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December 11
Lincoln Area Alumni Holiday Reception,
5:30 p.m., Van Brunt Visitors Center

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Winter Commencement, 1:00 p.m.,
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